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# HEAP: An Efficient and Fault-Tolerant Authentication and Key Exchange Protocol for Hadoop-Assisted Big Data Platform

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**ABSTRACT** Hadoop framework has been evolved to manage big data in cloud. Hadoop distributed file system and MapReduce, the vital components of this framework, provide scalable and fault-tolerant big data storage and processing services at a lower cost. However, Hadoop does not provide any robust authentication mechanism for principals' authentication. In fact, the existing state-of-the-art authentication protocols are vulnerable to various security threats, such as man-in-the-middle, replay, password guessing, stolen-verifier, privileged-insider, identity compromization, impersonation, denial-of-service, online/off-line dictionary, chosen plaintext, workstation compromization, and server-side compromisation attacks. Beside these threats, the state-of-the-art mechanisms lack to address the server-side data integrity and confidentiality issues. In addition to this, most of the existing authentication protocols follow a single-server-based user authentication strategy, which, in fact, originates single point of failure and single point of vulnerability issues. To address these limitations, in this paper, we propose a fault-tolerant authentication protocol suitable for the Hadoop framework, which is called the efficient authentication protocol for Hadoop (HEAP). HEAP alleviates the major issues of the existing state-of-the-art authentication mechanisms, namely operatingsystem-based authentication, password-based approach, and delegated token-based schemes, respectively, which are presently deployed in Hadoop. HEAP follows two-server-based authentication mechanism. HEAP authenticates the principal based on digital signature generation and verification strategy utilizing both advanced encryption standard and elliptic curve cryptography. The security analysis using both the formal security using the broadly accepted real-or-random (ROR) model and the informal (non-mathematical) security shows that HEAP protects several well-known attacks. In addition, the formal security verification using the widely used automated validation of Internet security protocols and applications ensures that HEAP is resilient against replay and man-in-the-middle attacks. Finally, the performance study contemplates that the overheads incurred in HEAP is reasonable and is also comparable to that of other existing state-of-theart authentication protocols. High security along with comparable overheads makes HEAP to be robust and practical for a secure access to the big data storage and processing services.

**INDEX TERMS** Cloud computing, authentication, key agreement, big data security, hadoop, formal security, AVISPA.

### I. INTRODUCTION

The existence of the digital universe is expanding by a factor of 300, from 130 exabytes to 40,000 exabytes, or 40 trillion gigabytes (more than 5,200 gigabytes for every man, woman, and child in 2020) from 2005 to 2020. From the recent time until 2020, the digital universe will about double every two years.<sup>1</sup> This of course, drag the attention of many researchers and practitioners in the field of Big Data storage and processing issue. To deal with this, various distributed file systems' namely Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS) [1], Google File System (GFS) [2], MooseFS,<sup>2</sup> zFS [3], Ceph [4], etc. have evolved. However, among these, due to popularity, simplicity and easy availability (open source), HDFS (the principal component of Hadoop framework<sup>3</sup>) is widely used in industries and became the de facto standard platform for Big Data storage. HDFS has been evolved to provide the storage service, where data is reliably kept in a distributed fashion into different servers. In this connection, client stores Big Data into the geographically dispersed remote third party servers through an insecure channel. This excavates several security concerns as the storage service access to be made over an insecure communication channel. Towards the solution, a robust authentication mechanism is the preferred solution. In this synergy, different authentication protocols have been proposed such as Kerberos,<sup>4</sup> OAuth,<sup>5</sup> OpenID connect,<sup>6</sup> SAML,<sup>7</sup> etc. But for the sake of simplicity, scalability and applicability, operating system based security (i.e., password-based approach), Kerberos authentication protocol (i.e., password with possession-based approach) and delegated token based approaches are currently employed in Hadoop for enhancing its security [5]–[9].

To access Big Data storage or processing services over the Internet, it is necessary for an end user (or service server) to initially enroll himself (or itself) with the Key Distribution Center (KDC) or a Centralized Registration Authority (CRA) offline. In centralized registration mechanism, it is difficult to update secret credentials of user and Hadoop clusters visa-vis service servers dynamically. After enrollment, the end user can access Big Data storage or processing services from the service server remotely over the Web. Usually, in such a setting, the KDC (or CRA) stores the secret information of all the principals' in its database, where a single point of vulnerability and single point of failure makes the whole system jeopardized [10]. In order to address these issues, many schemes have been reported in [5] and [11]–[30] that

are based on different techniques namely, smart card based approaches [18], [20], [27]-[29], one-time padding [13], [14], PKI (Public-Key Infrastructure) based approach [24], [31], implementation of a Trusted Computing Platform (TCP) [15], combination of both password and possession based strategy [25], [26], [30], authorization delegation based approach [22], [32], combined public and private key cryptography with random number generator based scheme [12], utilizing basic geometry structure based password storing [33] and Identity-Based Authentication (IBA) scheme [23], respectively. However, these explications are either expensive in terms of extra hardware cost or computationally intensive. Further, the existing approaches [24]-[26], [30] enrol an end user (or service server) by asking his username and password (or service server identity and secret key), where the username (or service server identity) is used as the primary credential, which is verified at the time of mutual authentication between user and service server respectively. In fact, selecting a username (or service server identity) is not enough to be considered as a strong private identifier. As a result, an adversary can easily incorporate different attacks, such as impersonation attacks and identity compromisation attacks by sniffing the username (or service server identity) from the insecure media [10]. Moreover, these approaches are not considered the user-side and service server-side identity untraceability and anonymity properties. In spite of this, the existing password-based user enrollment strategy [30] which is currently incorporated in Hadoop is vulnerable to password guessing, online or offline dictionary and stolen-verifier attacks. Additionally, the existing approach [30] derive client's secret key as the hash value of its password. Therefore, the key will remain same until client changes the current password. However, changing this password needs updating the enrolled data maintained by the KDC (or CRA) and this, in fact, invites many key rollover problems [10]. In addition to this, man-inthe-middle, privileged-insider, denial-of-service, workstation compromisation, chosen plaintext and replay attacks are the key security threats that are not properly addressed in the existing schemes [10].

In order to ensure mutual authentication and session key distribution between end user and service server (Namenode or JobTracker), in possession based (also called token based) approach, a trusted server distributes a token with large numbers of authentication parameters, that is, more parameters are included into the constitution of an Authentication Token (AT) and authorization token (or Service Token (ST)). Hence, AT and ST verification increases the overhead to the existing authorization server (or service server). In addition to this, tokens and session keys are stored into user's credential cache [24]–[26], [30] in the respective workstation, and each token has its own lifetime. So, it leads to workstation compromisation attack, disclosure of session key as well as

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>http://www.emc.com/leadership/digital-universe/2012iview/executivesummary-a-universe-of.htm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>MooseFS: Can Petabyte Storage be super efficient. https://moosefs.com/ <sup>3</sup>Apache Hadoop: https://hadoop.apache.org/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>http://web.mit.edu/kerberos/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>http://www.oauth.net/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>http://openid.net/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>saml.xml.org/

misuse of tokens. Moreover, an end user blindly accepts the authentication services, that is, he completely rely on the trusted third party server (KDC's AS) issued shared secret session key without verifying the strong authenticity of the AS. Therefore, if the AS is compromised by a malicious insider, a byzantine attack can be induced into the system which can falsify the primitive operations and it can also lead to the wrong desires [10]. Nonetheless, some mutual authentication schemes [24]-[26], [30] use time synchronization for joint authentication between end user and the service servers. More precisely, all principals in a realm must be synchronized with a centralized time server. In fact, this is an overhead for the implementation of the protocol. In addition to this, clock in a distributed system may not be always synchronized, so it may cause a replay attack for both the end user and the service server [34]. In spite of this, in the existing authentication approaches [24]–[26], [30], a user blindly trusts the authentication server (AS) without verifying any cross parameters (e.g., message authentication codes, server-side generated one-way hash chain based one-time identifiers [16], digital signatures [10], etc.) after receiving the authentication token. To the best of our knowledge, there is no solution to verify the originality of AS except the timestamps and visualization of password (or session key protected authentication or service token) [10]. Hence, this shortcoming opens a possibility of impersonation attacks [34], where a compromised principle can falsify the basic operations of the authentication system. In addition to this, in Hadoop, there is no provision to verify the data integrity and confidentiality after archiving end user's or organization's Big Data into HDFS. Since, the raw data blocks (constructed from the Big Data) are stored into various Datanodes as plaintext format, it is easy for an adversary to modify the content of the data blocks easily [5]–[9], [35]–[41]. Additionally, the result of the processed Big Data utilizing MapReduce framework is stored into end user's local file system, so anybody can read this content. To the best of our knowledge, there is no solution exists to mitigate these issues.

### A. MOTIVATION

To address the aforesaid issues and challenges of the existing authentication schemes that assists security in Hadoop framework, we set the following objectives in the proposed scheme:

- 1) The proposed protocol should have the capability to enroll the Hadoop cluster's service server online (instead centralized deployment of service servers) with the authentication service provider by advocating the scalability issue.
- 2) The proposed protocol should prevent different well-known attacks, such as man-in-the-middle, replay, denial-of-service, privileged-insider, impersonation, identity compromisation, ciphertext-only, sever-spoofing and chosen plaintext attacks.
- The proposed scheme should have a fault-tolerant and dependable authentication architecture to address the existing SOV and SOF issues.

- 4) In the proposed scheme, the authentication task for both Big Data technology provider and user should be more robust and user friendly advocating less usage of security credentials and hardwares (smart card, biometric scanner, smart mobile device, etc.).
- 5) The proposed protocol should disseminate securely the session key between two communicating parties.
- 6) The proposed scheme should provide a mechanism to read, write and process the user's Big Data securely in Hadoop cluster.
- The proposed protocol should support user and service server anonymity by hiding their original identities from eavesdroppers and privileged-insiders.
- 8) The proposed scheme should have a provision to generate a fresh session key securely in each session to mitigate the workstation compromisation attack.
- 9) The proposed protocol should have the capability to store the dictionary of password securely at the server-side to mitigate the offline dictionary, password guessing and stolen-verifier attacks.
- 10) The proposed scheme should able to establish the session key between two communicating parties without timestamps utilization.

To fulfill the above objectives, a two-server based authentication framework has been introduced. This framework is structured in such a way that it mitigates the single point of failure (SOF) and single point of vulnerability (SOV) issues. Further, the proposed framework resists various well known security threats, such as, man-in-the-middle, replay, privileged-insider, Denial-of-Service (DoS), chosen plaintext, password guessing, identity compromisation, impersonation, stolen-verifier, server spoofing, offline dictionary and workstation compromisation attacks. According to the policy of the proposed framework a service provider can enrol any number of Hadoop clusters vis-a-vis service servers online with the Key Distribution Center (KDC). In this framework, the proposed KDC consists of three different servers. Among them, two are public servers (one server interacts with clients only and the other communicate with Big Data service providers) and the other is private server. Initially, clients and Big Data service providers enrol themselves offline with the private server. After offline registration, both client and service provider would eligible for online registration through the respective KDC's public server. As the private server is hidden from universal access, it ensures the server-side security. In the proposed framework, after online registration, the service providers are able to enroll his service servers (Namenode servers or Job Trackers) online with the KDC. So, the service server registration is simple and scalable in nature. Mean while, the clients' are able to communicate directly with the service servers' (Namenode Servers or Job Trackers) in a Hadoop cluster after establishing a secret key with the KDC's public server followed by a two-server based mutual authentication process (we call it as single sign-on). This single sign-on facility provides the access to any number of service servers by accomplishing only one time authentication

with the KDC. As a solution to the server spoofing and DoS attacks, we consider here a two-factor (password and authorization token) based authentication strategy. To preserve privacy, in our scheme, we make the original identity of users and service servers fully anonymous. To enhance the robustness and correctness of entity authentication, we propose a new digital signature based entity verification scheme utilizing both symmetric and asymmetric key cryptography. As a remedy of chosen plaintext attacks, we use stateless Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode of symmetric encryption and decryption strategy where a random nonce is utilized as an Initial Vector (IV). To establish a secure session between two communicating parties, we propose a new pair-wise session key agreement policy using elliptic curve cryptography. As a solution to the client-side workstation compromisation attacks, we store client's secret information indirectly into a private place (server-side) and later on it can be fetched by the legitimate user's only. Moreover, to check the integrity of data blocks which resides into various chunk servers or Datanodes in HDFS, a Hash-based Message Authentication Code (HMAC) based secure HDFS-read and HDFS-write operations has been introduced.

# **B. RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS**

The major research contributions devised in this paper are listed below.

- We propose a new secure and scalable enrollment methodology to register a cluster of service servers with the trusted third party server by eliminating traditional in-house (centralized) service server registration policy.
- We then introduce a new fault tolerant authentication framework to provide dependable authentication services for remote clients.
- Next, we propose a new digital signature based mutual authentication policy, where each principal is able to verify the legitimacy of other intended principals along with the trusted third party on which both the principal rely on.
- We also introduce a new approach for security credentials distribution and replication policies in order to mitigate server-side single point of failure and single point of vulnerability issues.
- To distribute the session key securely between two intended principals, we then propose an elliptic curve cryptography based session key distribution policy by utilizing the concept of in-memory caching.
- In addition, we propose a mechanism to disseminate the session key between two communicating entities without compromising their identities.
- The extensive formal security inspection by utilizing *de facto* Real-Or-Random (ROR) model and the informal security analysis substantiate that the proposed protocol can address various well-known attacks against active and passive adversaries.
- The formal security verification using the widely-used AVISPA tool has been carried out for the proposed

protocol, and the AVISPA simulation results assist that the proposed scheme is secure against man-in-themiddle and replay attacks.

- To enhance security, the proposed protocol has a facility to dynamically update user's password and service server's secret credentials online with the help of the authentication servers.
- Finally, the proposed scheme is user-friendly in nature and the user needs to remember only his/her identity and password to login into the proposed authentication system.

### C. ROAD MAP OF THE PAPER

The remainder of the paper is structured as follows. We discuss the network model of HDFS in Section II. Section III presents the related work associated with the entity authentication in Hadoop. The necessary related mathematical preliminaries are discussed in Section IV, which are helpful for describing and analyzing the proposed protocol. In Section V, we demonstrate the proposed scheme. Section VI presents both formal security analysis using the widely-accepted Realor-Random (ROR) model and informal security analysis of the proposed protocol. In Section VII, we simulate the proposed protocol under the broadly-used On-the-Fly Model Checker (OFMC) and SAT-based Model Checker (SATMC) backends by utilizing the AVISPA tool and summarize the attack traces. Section VIII presents the performance analysis of the proposed scheme. In Section IX, we elaborate few appealing features as the realizations of the proposed scheme. Finally, we conclude the paper in Section X.

### **II. NETWORK MODEL OF HDFS**

Apache Hadoop<sup>8</sup> is an open source and provides a new way for storing and processing Big Data. It consists of two core components. The former one is File Store (FS) and later one is a Distributed Processing System (DPS). The FS is called as HDFS<sup>9</sup> and the DPS is termed as MapReduce.<sup>10</sup> HDFS is a distributed file system designed for storing very large files with streaming data access patterns, running on clusters of commodity hardware. Files are divided into blocks (default block size is 64 MB) and blocks are replicated and stored at different chunk servers (also called slave servers). The basic architecture of HDFS is shown in Figure 1.

Note here, we have shown only two Namenode servers (NSs) and one JobTracker (JT) in Figure 1, but in practical HDFS federation architecture<sup>11</sup> it cloud vary up to n number of such servers. Intuitively, the three noteworthy classifications of machine roles in a single Hadoop Cluster (HC) are client machine (i.e., HDFS Client), Master Node (MN) (i.e., combination of Namenode and Job Tracker) and Slave Nodes (SNs) (i.e., combination of Datanodes (DNs) and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>https://hadoop.apache.org/releases.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>https://hortonworks.com/apache/hdfs/

<sup>10</sup> https://hortonworks.com/apache/mapreduce/

 $<sup>^{11}\</sup>mbox{https://hadoop.apache.org/docs/current/hadoop-project-dist/hadoop-hdfs/Federation.html}$ 

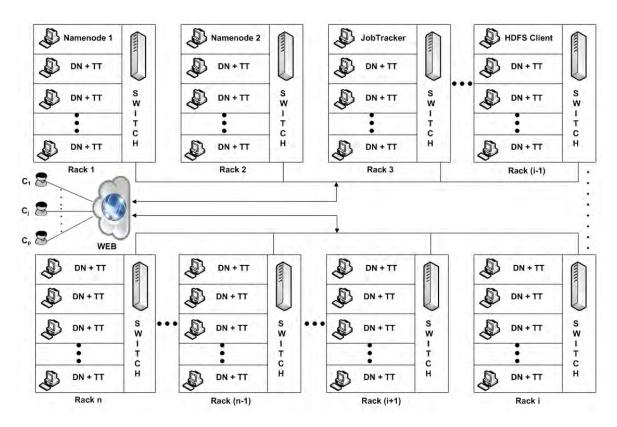


FIGURE 1. System architecture of HDFS Federation (new release).

Task Trackers (TTs)) (see Figure 1). All these components are connected through a communication network. In this architecture, for a single Hadoop Cluster say  $HC_i$ , the MN regulates two useful functions i.e., reliable data storage using HDFS and parallel computations utilizing MapReduce framework. The Namenode manages and facilitates distributed data storage services wherein the JT administers the parallel processing of stored data utilizing MapReduce (MR). Moreover, SNs are responsible for streamline data blocks storing and running the parallel computations over the stored data blocks. Each SN runs both Datanode and TT daemon and receives instructions from their MN. The TT daemon is a slave to the JT and the Datanode daemon acts as a slave to the Namenode. Client machine has Hadoop installed with all the cluster settings, however, it is neither a master nor a slave. Rather, the role of the Client machine is to load data into the cluster, submit MapReduce jobs portraying how that data ought to be processed, and after that, retrieve or view the results of the job when it's completed.

### **III. RELATED WORK**

Hadoop framework has been evolved to manage a massive volume of data in Cloud. However, Hadoop does not provide any robust authentication mechanism for principals' authentication [5]–[7], [30], [34]. Since very few literature is available in this domain, the related work that is illustrated here is two fold: first, we discuss the state of the art authentication protocols and its variant that are

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actually studied in Hadoop (Big Data) platform and finally, we present the recent development of Authenticated Key Exchange (AKE) protocols in the domain of Cloud Computing platform as well as two-server based Password-assisted Authenticated Key Exchange (PAKE) schemes.

### A. STATE OF THE ART AKES FOR HADOOP (BIG DATA) PLATFORM

A limited number of authentication and key exchange protocols [5], [11], [13]–[17], [22]–[24], [30], [32], [42] has been found in this category.

Shen et al. [15] have proposed a theoretical prototype system combined with trusted platform support service. In their scheme, they have used a Trusted Computing Platform (TCP) to resolve the process of authentication in Hadoop. In TCP, the users identity is preserved and it is encrypted with users personal key and this mechanism is integrated in the hardware such as the BIOS and TPM. So it is very hard to decipher a user identity. The TCP is based on the Trusted Platform Module (TPM). The TPM is used to safeguard the system from different kind of hardware and software attacks. Authors have also pointed out the limitations in their scheme: (i) the stored data in the Datanodes will be decrypted when being accessed and will re-encrypted with different key after being accessed, the performance of system will be reduced, (ii) in order to make the authentication system trusted, some information are need to be stored among Namenodes, Datanodes and users, and finally (iii) TCB needs to fulfill many requirements

of server-side and user-side, so it may be raised bottleneck situation in the system.

Kohl and Neuman [30] proposed Kerberos authentication protocol. In their proposed approach, a user first registers with the system to avail the services. In this scheme, all the messages (i.e., authentication messages, service messages) are first encrypted using a shared secret key between two parties, and then the two parties communicate with each other with encrypted forms of messages. It may be noted that in the Kerberos protocol, a password based approach with a token based strategy needs to be followed for principal authentication. According to the current practice, a user makes an authentication request to an authentication server (AS) by means of a plain text containing "username" [34]. In this context, an attacker can eavesdrop the "username" and later expose himself to the AS as a legitimate user. In other word, an attacker can easily determine from the transmitted message that which users are currently online. In this situation, an attacker has scope to make man-in-the-middle attacks and replay attacks [10]. Further, an eavesdropper can make identity compromisation and impersonation attacks by stealing the "username" if the channel is insecure [34], [43], [44]. Moreover, the AS issues an authentication ticket (AT) to an end user after verifying only its "username" without verifying user's password or other security credentials [10]. However, as "username" is not a confidential credential, there is an opportunity for an attacker to get multiple authentication tickets by simply sending a "username" to the AS. As a consequence, a cryptanalyst can decrypt the ciphertexts (i.e., ATs) using some knowledge about underlying user's password. Thus, this scheme is vulnerable to Ciphertext-only Attack (COA). To avert this challenges, a public key infrastructure based Kerberos namely PKINIT [24] is reported and deployed in Hadoop. But, it is not properly addresses the user and service server's privacy issues and other security threats [10].

Somu et al. [14] proposed an authentication scheme for Hadoop and it is based on the encryption mechanism using one-time pad key. A random key is used to encrypt the password for secure transmission between the two servers (Registration Server and Back-end Server). Authors has claimed that their protocol makes the Hadoop environment more secure as the new random key for encryption is generated for each login. They also claimed that their scheme reduces the possibility to decrypt the cipher stored into the server for an adversary as it involves the knowledge about the valid random key. Sarvabhatla et al. [13] illustrated that Nivethitha et al.'s scheme is vulnerable to offline password guessing attack and on success of it, an attacker can perform all major attacks on HDFS. They proposed a new authentication service for Hadoop framework which is light weight and resists all major attacks as compared to Nivethitha et al.'s scheme. The authors also did a comparative analysis between their proposed user authentication service versus Nivethitha et al. scheme and found out that their scheme requires less number of hash operations as compare to Nivethitha et al.'s scheme.

For users' job authorization in Hadoop, an hash-based (MD5 and SHA-1) delegated job token mechanism has been reported in [5]. OAuth [22], OpenID connect [32] and SAML [42] are the new evolving authorization delegation based approach and it has been prioritize over traditional Kerberos protocol for principals' authorization and single sign-on capability incorporated in Hadoop.

Rahul and GireeshKumar [12] proposed a novel authentication framework for Hadoop. Their framework uses cryptographic functions such as public key cryptography, private key cryptography, hash functions, and random number generator. In this framework, they define a new key for each client and authenticate all clients and services using this key. They claimed that their authentication framework offers user data protection, a new way of privilege separations, and basic security needs for data storing inside HDFS.

Sadasivam *et al.* [11] proposed a novel authentication protocol for Hadoop in cloud environment, where they have used the basic properties of a triangle and modified two server-based model to improve the security level of Hadoop clusters. In their scheme, they have interpreted and alienated the user given password using the authentication server and stored in multiple back-end servers along with the corresponding username.

Kang and Zhang [23] proposed an Identity-Based Authentication (IBA) scheme which is of short key size, identitybased, non-interactive. This scheme divides the sharing users into the very same domain and in this domain relies on the sharing global master key to exercise mutual authentication. Their IBA scheme can be enabled by an emerging cryptographic technique from the bilinear pairing (i.e., Weil and Tate pairing [45] and its security can be assured by the Bilinear Diffie-Hellman Problem (BDHP)). But the limitation of this scheme is, if the global master key is leaked, then the total system will be jeopardized.

Sharma and Navdeti [6] listed various security mechanisms inside Apache Hadoop Stack. According to the authors, most of the cases, the Kerberos approach is preferably used for delivering authentication services.

Srinivas *et al.* [17] proposed 2PBDC: a privacy-preserving Big Data collection scheme in cloud environment utilizing elliptic curve cryptography. The authors shows that 2PBDC offers a better trade-off among the security and functionality features, communication and computation overheads. Aujla *et al.* [16] proposed SecSVA: Secure Storage, Verification, and Auditing of Big Data in the Cloud Environment. The authors presented an attribute-based secure data deduplication framework for data storage on the cloud, Kerberos-based identity verification and authentication, and Merkle hashtree-based trusted third-party auditing on cloud.

# B. STATE OF THE ART TWO-SERVER BASED PAKES AND AKES FOR CLOUD COMPUTING PLATFORM

Karla and Sood [46] proposed cookie-based authentication and key exchange protocol for cloud and IoT environment. Later, Kumari *et al.* [47] pointed out the security flaws of Karla and Sood scheme. Yang *et al.* [48] proposed an authentication scheme in a cloud environment setting. However, Chen *et al.* [49] pointed out the security pitfalls in Yang *et al.*'s scheme [48] that it is vulnerable to insider and impersonation attacks. To withstand these security loopholes in Yang *et al.*'s scheme, Chen *et al.* then designed a dynamic ID-based authentication scheme for cloud computing environment, which is based on the elliptic curve cryptography (ECC). Wang *et al.* [50] reviewed Chen *et al.*'s scheme [49], and proved that their scheme is vulnerable to offline password guessing as well as impersonation attacks. In addition, it was found that Chen *et al.*'s scheme does not provide user anonymity and it also has clock synchronization problem.

Later, Hao *et al.* [51] presented a time-bound ticketbased mutual authentication scheme for cloud computing. The purpose of using the time bound tickets is to reduce the server's processing overhead. Unfortunately, Jaidhar [52] identified that Hao *et al.*'s scheme [51] is insecure against denial-of-service attack during the password change phase. Wazid *et al.* [20] also proposed a provably secure user authentication and key agreement scheme for cloud computing environment. Their scheme withstands the weaknesses of the existing schemes and it also supports extra functionality features, such as user anonymity, and efficient password and biometric update phase in multi-server environment.

Recently, Gope and Das [53] proposed an anonymous mutual authentication scheme for ubiquitous mobile cloud computing services, which allows a legitimate mobile cloud user to enjoy *n*-times all the ubiquitous services in a secure and efficient way, where the value of n may differ based on the principal he or she has paid for. In addition, Odelu et al. [21] reviewed Tsai-Lo's scheme [54] and pointed out that their scheme does not provide the session-key security and also strong user credentials' privacy. To remove the security weaknesses found in Tsai-Lo's scheme, Odelu et al. designed a provably secure authentication scheme for distributed mobile cloud computing services. In addition to this, various biometric and smartcard based multi-factor authentication protocols [55]–[63] are found in the recent literature for multi-server environment. In spite of these approaches, various two-server based PAKE schemes [64]-[68] are evolved to mitigate server-side dependability (by addressing single point of failure and single point of vulnerability) and security issues.

### **IV. MATHEMATICAL PRELIMINARIES**

The proposed authentication protocol is based on both asymmetric and symmetric key cryptography. In this context, in this work, we use Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC) and stateless CBC (cipher block chaining) mode of the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) for both public and private key cryptography, respectively. The cryptographic hardness property related to Elliptic Curve Decisional Diffie-Hellman Problem (ECDDHP), Elliptic Curve Discrete Logarithm Problem (ECDLP) and Indistinguishability of Encryption scheme under Chosen Plaintext Attack (IND-CPA) are briefly explained in the following subsections. The proposed scheme also utilizes the collision-resistant cryptographic one-way hash function. This section provides a brief discussion about the aforesaid mathematical preliminaries as follows.

### A. INDISTINGUISHABILITY OF ENCRYPTION SCHEME UNDER CPA

The indistinguishability of encryption scheme under chosen plaintext attack (IND-CPA) [61] is mathematically explained as follow:

Definition 1 (IND-CPA Secure): Assume SGL or MEL be the single or multiple eavesdropper/s respectively, and  $OL_{EK_1}, OL_{EK_2}, \cdots, OL_{EK_M}$  be *M* different independent encryption oracles related to  $EK_1, EK_2, \cdots, EK_M$  encryption keys, respectively. The advantage functions of SGL and *MEL* respectively, are defined as  $Adv_{\mathcal{E},SGL}^{IND-CPA}(K) =$  $|2 \cdot Prob[SGL]$  $\leftarrow$  $OL_{EK_1}; (p_0, p_1)$ SGL);  $\leftarrow_R$  $\{0, 1\}; \tau_1 \leftarrow_R OL_{EK_1}(p_\mu), \tau_2 \leftarrow_R OL_{EK_2}(p_\mu), \cdots, \tau_M \leftarrow_R$  $OL_{EK_M}(pt_{\mu})$  :  $MEL(\tau_1, \tau_2, \cdots, \tau_M) = \mu ] - 1$ . We can say a symmetric cipher  $\mathcal{E}$  is IND-CPA secure for the single or multiple eavesdropper/s setting if  $\mathcal{A}dv_{\mathcal{E},SGL}^{IND-CPA}(K)$  (or  $\mathcal{A}dv_{\mathcal{E},MEL}^{IND-CPA}(K)$ ) is negligible for the given security parameter K of any probabilistic and polynomial time adversary SGL (or MEL).

From Definition 1, it is easy to proof that a deterministic encryption scheme is not IND-CPA secure [61]. Further, there exists five generic modes of symmetric encryption scheme in the literature, namely Electronic Codebook (ECB), Output Feedback (OFB), Cipher Block Chaining (CBC), Cipher Feedback (CFB) and Counter (CTR) respectively. From these aforesaid modes, both ECB and stateful CBC modes are not IND-CPA secure, particularly in stateful CBC mode the value of Initialization Vector (*IV*) remains constrained which is shared between the sender and receiver. But, in stateless CBC mode, the *IV* value is chosen randomly for each message block. Thus, we use AES with stateless CBC mode of encryption or decryption policy throughout this paper so that it becomes IND-CPA secure [61].

## B. ONE-WAY HASH FUNCTION AND ITS PROPERTIES

A one-way hash function  $h: \{0, 1\}^* \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^l$  takes a binary string of variable length input, say  $x \in \{0, 1\}^*$  and results a binary string  $h(x) \in \{0, 1\}^l$  as an output of fixed length, say *l* bits. The formal definition of  $h(\cdot)$  is provided as follows [69] [10].

Definition 2 (Collision-Resistant One-Way Hash Function): If an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage in finding collision in hash outputs with the execution time *t* is denoted by  $Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{HASH}(t)$ , it is defined by  $Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{HASH}(t) = Pr[(x, y) \leftarrow_R \mathcal{A}:$  $x \neq y$  and h(x) = h(y)], where Pr[E] is the probability of an event *E* and  $(x, y) \leftarrow_R \mathcal{A}$  means the pair (x, y) is randomly chosen by  $\mathcal{A}$ . By an  $(\eta, t)$ -adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  attacking the collision resistance of  $h(\cdot)$ , it indicates that the execution time of  $\mathcal{A}$  is at most *t* and that  $Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{HASH}(t) \leq \eta$ .

Examples of a one-way hash function include the Secure Hash Standard (SHA-1) hashing algorithm and the stronger SHA-256 hashing algorithm [70].

### C. ELLIPTIC CURVE AND ITS PROPERTIES

Suppose  $m, n \in Z_p$ , where  $Z_p = \{0, 1, ..., p-1\}$  and p > 3 is a prime [10]. A non-singular elliptic curve  $y^2 = x^3 + mx + n$ over the finite field  $Z_p$  is the set  $E_p(m, n)$  of solutions  $(x, y) \in Z_p \times Z_p$  to the congruence

$$y^2 \equiv x^3 + mx + n \pmod{p},$$

where  $m, n \in Z_p$  such that  $4m^3 + 27n^2 \neq 0 \pmod{p}$ , and a point at infinity or zero point  $\mathcal{O}$ .

Note that  $4m^3 + 27n^2 \neq 0 \pmod{p}$  is a necessary and sufficient condition to ensure a non-singular solution for the Eq.  $x^3 + mx + n = 0$  [71].  $4m^3 + 27n^2 = 0 \pmod{p}$  implies the elliptic curve is singular. Let  $P = (x_P, y_P)$ ,  $Q = (x_Q, y_Q) \in E_p(m, n)$ . Then  $x_Q = x_P$  and  $y_Q = -y_P$  when P + Q = O. Also, P + O = O + P = P, for all  $P \in E_p(m, n)$ . Hasse's theorem states that the number of points on  $E_p(m, n)$ , denoted as #*E*, satisfies the following inequality [72]:

$$p + 1 - 2\sqrt{p} \le \#E \le p + 1 + 2\sqrt{p}.$$

In other words, there are about p points on an elliptic curve  $E_p(m, n)$  over  $Z_p$ . Also,  $E_p(m, n)$  forms a commutative or an abelian group under addition modulo p operation.

• Elliptic curve point addition: Let  $P, Q \in E_p(m, n)$  be two points on the elliptic curve. Then,  $R = (x_R, y_R) = P + Q$  is calculated as follows [72]:

$$x_{R} = (\lambda^{2} - x_{P} - x_{Q}) \pmod{p},$$
  

$$y_{R} = (\lambda(x_{P} - x_{R}) - y_{P}) \pmod{p},$$
  
where  $\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{y_{Q} - y_{P}}{x_{Q} - x_{P}} \pmod{p}, \text{ if } P \neq -Q \\ \frac{3x_{P}^{2} + m}{2y_{P}} \pmod{p}, \text{ if } P = Q. \end{cases}$ 

• Elliptic curve point scalar multiplication: In ECC, multiplication is done as repeated additions. For example, 5P = P + P + P + P + P, where  $P \in E_p(m, n)$ .

Definition 3 (ECDLP Assumption): Given an elliptic curve  $E_p(m, n)$  and two points  $R, S \in E_p(m, n)$ , find an integer x such that  $S = x \cdot R$ .

Definition 4 (ECDDHP Assumption): Given a point R on an elliptic curve  $E_p(m, n)$  and two other points  $x \cdot R$ ,  $y \cdot R \in E_p(m, n)$ , find  $(x \cdot y) \cdot R$ .

### **V. THE PROPOSED PROTOCOL**

In this section, we discuss the proposed scheme in detail. We call the proposed scheme as HEAP (Efficient Authentication Protocol for Hadoop). The system architecture of HEAP is shown in Figure 2.

### A. SYSTEM MODEL

Six types of principals are involved in the proposed system model: 1) client (C), 2) Big Data Service Provider (BDSP) 3) Namenode Server (NS) or Job Tracker (JT), 4) Client Management Server (CMS), 5) Namenode Management Server (NMS) and 6) Enrolment Server (ES). Both CMS and NMS are the public servers in two-server model, whereas ES is the private server. CMS is reachable to  $C_i$  utilizing a client application instance say  $HCA_i$ , where  $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ . NMS is reachable to  $BDSP_i$ 's administrator using a server application instance say  $HSA_k$ , where  $j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m\}$ . Both CMS and NMS are reachable to adversaries but, ES operates in the background and it is fully supervised internally by the respective system administrator only. Thus, ES is fully trusted principal in the network. To make the proposed system model fault-tolerant, we distribute  $C_i$ 's secret credentials into two servers (NMS and ES) whereas disseminates BDSP's administrators and their deployable service server's (NS's and JT's) private (secret) information into another pair of servers (CMS and ES).

Initially, BDSP's administrator needs to register all the service servers (NS and JT) of his own Hadoop cluster with ES online. To do this, BDSP's administrator first enrol himself with ES and go through an authenticated key agreement procedure utilizing both NMS and CMS server. C enrol himself with ES during registration phase, but the authenticated session key agreement task will be held by both CMS and *NMS*. To prove the legitimacy of client C and *BDSP*'s administrator, both need to give responses about three different challenges (specifically maintained by a two-step verification process utilizing user identity, password and digital signature) assisted by both the servers (CMS and NMS). The successful legitimacy checking provides a Big Data storage or processing service server ticket to C and service server enrolment access privilege to BDSP's administrator. The provided service ticket will then give access to the NS or JT after accomplishment of a mutual authentication and session key establishment process. The application instance  $HCA_i$  will give access to the CMS for  $C_i$  including adversaries whereas  $HSA_k$  will provide access to NMS for BDSP's administrator including attackers. But, it is not possible for an adversary to access both CMS and NMS together utilizing a single application say  $HCA_i$  or  $HSA_k$ .

### **B. ADVERSARY MODEL**

Presently, we have found three widely used threat models in the literature such as, Dolev-Yao threat model (DY model) [73], Canetti and Krawczyk adversary model (CK-adversary model) [74], and Extended Canetti and Krawczyk threat model (eCK-adversary model) [75] to model active and passive adversaries. However, we adopt DY model and CK-adversary model to study the proposed protocol.

Under DY model [73], an insecure channel between two communicating parties has been modeled mathematically in

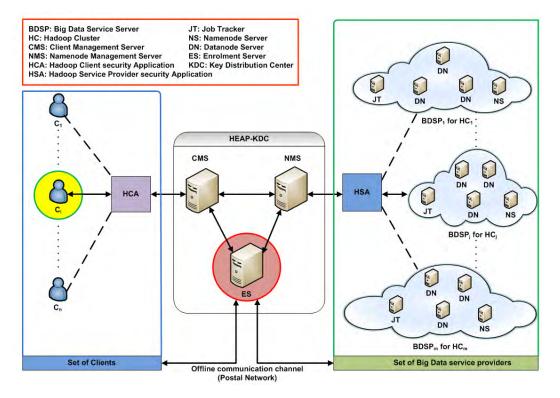


FIGURE 2. System architecture of HEAP.

such a way that an adversary Adv can intercept, delete or modify the exchanged messages. In addition to this, Advmay insert a fake message into the communication media to disgust the normal operations between two communicating parties. In the CK-adversary model [74] (the super set of DY model), the adversary Adv not only eavesdrop, delete or modify the exchanged messages between two communicating parties but also having the access to the session keys (shortterm keys), long-term secret keys and session states of each party involves into the key agreement process. This model ensures the security of the authenticated key agreement protocol considering some sorts of security credentials (long-term and short-term) leakage and its impact on the security of other secret credentials.

We follow both DY and CK-adversary model in the proposed protocol, where we assume HEAP-KDC is trusted for both C and NS (or JT). Further, it is assumed that CMS and NMS are semi-trusted, whereas ES is fully trusted server. According to the policy of the DY model, any two parties such as C and NS or C and JT, are not considered as trustworthy principals in the network. Therefore, in this DY model, an adversary (active and passive) Advcan then eavesdrop, modify or delete the exchanged messages between C and NS or C and JT during communication. We also assume that the information stored at the C's workstation (mobile device) can be stolen by Adv and after obtaining the stolen information, Adv can perform the stolen-verifier and privileged-insider attacks. In addition, under the CK-adversary model, adversary Adv can have access some form of secret credentials including session key and session states between *C* and *NS* or *C* and *JT*. Under this assumption, the proposed protocol needs to show less security breech possibility of other entities' (*BDSP*, *CMS*, *NMS* and *ES*) secret credential due to the leakage of "session ephemeral secrets" between *C* and *NS* or *C* and *JT*.

However, in this study, we inspect several known security threats such as, chosen plain-text, denial-of-service, manin-the-middle, online password guessing, server compromisation, replay, privileged-insider, stolen-verifier, offline password guessing, workstation compromisation, server spoofing and identity compromisation attacks considering both DY and CK-adversary model.

### C. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF HEAP

HEAP goes through five basic operations: (i) HEAP-KDC configuration, (ii) user enrollment, (iii) Big Data service provider registration, (iv) Hadoop Cluster vis-a-vis service server enrollment and (v) mutual authentication and session key agreement between user and service server. Two security application instances namely  $HCA_j$  and  $HSA_k$  are running separately on user's workstation and service provider workstation to access a particular public server (*CMS* or *NMS*) of the HEAP-KDC's realm. More precisely, *C* accesses only *CMS* through the application *HSA*.

Initially, a Big Data Service Provider (BDSP) (or specifically the BDSP's administrator (BA)) needs to register himself with the ES through out-of-band channel (for example, a postal network) with his identity proof documents, service level agreement, service server details, etc. This entails to avail a one-time dummy identity, one-time dummy password and a pass-phrase to the service provider. After receiving these parameters offline, the service provider enrolls himself online with the HEAP-KDC utilizing both NMS and HSA. During online registration, the service provider needs to provide both the dummy identity and the dummy password to NMS through HSA. This entails to get a user account creation permission from NMS. In such a provision, the service provider sends his information namely, masked identity, masked password, email identity and mobile number, etc. to both CMS and ES servers utilizing NMS via a secure channel (utilizing pass-phrase as a key). After sending the service provider's information to CMS and ES, NMS only keeps the masked identity in its database. Similarly, an end user C register himself with ES by taking the help of CMS and HCA. During this operation, C sends his transformed identities, masked password, email identity and mobile number securely to NMS and ES servers via CMS. In this way, both user and service provider registration process has been accomplished.

After accomplishment of registration task, the *BDSP* needs to keep his original identity and password with himself. These two secrets are utilized at the time of service provider login phase. After successfully logged in into its workstation (locally) using *HSA*, the *BDSP* can register his Hadoop Cluster vis-a-vis Big Data storage and processing service servers (*NSs*' and *JTs*') with HEAP-KDC followed by a mutual authentication and key agreement process utilizing both *NMS* and *CMS* servers (two-server based authentication). This process is scalable in nature, where any Big Data service providers can able to enroll his cluster's service servers' online with HEAP-KDC. *BDSP* securely enrolls each service server to both *CMS* and *ES* through *NMS* by assigning a service server's masked identity and a masked password.

Similarly, after registration, C needs to keep his user identity and password secret with himself for logging in into its workstation. At the time of login, C needs to authenticate himself in its workstation locally utilizing *HCA* by providing his identity and password. After that, C goes through a mutual authentication and key formation process utilizing both *CMS* and *NMS* servers (dual server based authentication). This entails a short-term key to C. Utilizing this short-term key, Cestablishes a secure session with *CMS*. We call this process as single sign-on of client C. After the single sign-on task, *CMS* provides two encrypted tickets: (1) client ticket and 2) service server (either Big Data storage service server or processing service server) ticket to C. Utilizing this two tickets, C establishes a secret session with a service server (either *NS* or *JT*) associated with a particular cluster.

During two-server based mutual authentication and key agreement phase, the service provider (BA) enters his original identity and password to HSA. HSA computes a masked identity of the given identity. HSA then construct a digital signature on the masked identity utilizing a random nonce and BA's chosen private key. After that, HSA sends the masked identity and the digital signature to NMS. In the same way, *NMS* construct a digital signature by signing its original identity with its private key. NMS sends BA's masked identity and BA's digital signature along with NMS's encrypted digital signature and NMS's identity to CMS. After verifying the identities of both BDSP and NMS, CMS decrypt NMS's signature. Thereafter, CMS modifies both the digital signatures utilizing the previously shared pass-phrases of both the parties (BDSP and NMS) and CMS's private key. CMS encrypts the modified signatures using BDSP's masked password and NMS's shared key. CMS then sends both the encrypted signatures to NMS. NMS decrypts the respective signature and verifies the legitimacy of both BDSP and CMS utilizing the previously loaded security parameters and sends the other signature to BDSP. After receiving the modified signature, BDSP (or BA) checks the legitimacy of both NMS and CMS. Finally, using the random nonces and ECC, both BDSP and NMS establish a session key between themselves. In the same way, at the time of single sign-on process, C establishes a short-term key with CMS.

After establishment of a secure session with *NS* utilizing *HCA*, *C* outsources its Big Data in terms of raw data blocks and its replicas into several Datanodes or chunk servers under the supervision of *NS*. In such a provision, *HCA* supplies the session key to the corresponding HDFS Client (HDCL) to achieve secure and integrity-assisted HDFS-read and HDFS-write operations. Thus, it will protect the user's confidential Big Data from the third party interception.

To make the proposed authentication protocol fault tolerant in terms of security credentials' replications, we keep the service providers and service servers credentials (mainly transformed identities and masked passwords) under CMS's custody whereas disseminate the C's credentials to NMS. Mean while, all the security credentials information are replicated concurrently into ES server. In addition to this, to transform the service provider's identity and password, two random secrets (one secret generated by NMS and other produced by the HSA) are embedded with the service provider's original user identity and password first, and afterwards a cryptographic one-way hash function has been applied with themselves. Similarly, C's original user identity and password are encapsulated with CMS's chosen secret and HCA's secret, respectively. Thus, the aforesaid mechanism leads to create a strong password for both the parties (service provider and C) as well as reduce the chance of both single point of failure and single point of vulnerability issues.

To discuss HEAP methodology, we use various notations throughout the paper. The notations and their descriptions are listed in Table 1. In addition to this, we make certain

### TABLE 1. Notations and their meanings.

Notation	Description
BDSP	Big Data Service Provider
BDSPID	Original identity of <i>BDSP</i>
$BDSP_{PWD}$	Password of <i>BDSP</i>
	Client
$C_{ID}$	Original identity of $C$
CMS	Client Management Server
$Cert_E$	Certificate of an entity $E$ issued by TCCA
$CMS_{ID}$	Public identity of CMS
	Enrollment Server or Registration Server (RS)
$ES_{ID}$	Public identity of $ES$
$E(\mathcal{K}:[msg])$	A message $msg$ is encrypted using the key $\mathcal{K}$
$E_p(m,n)$	An elliptic curve $y^2 \equiv x^3 + mx + n \pmod{p}$
	on the finite field $Z_p$ A entity such as C, BDSP, CMS, NMS, NS or JT
$\begin{bmatrix} L \\ G \end{bmatrix}$	A generator point $\in E_p(m, n)$ of some order (say, q)
$HCA_i$	An application instance running on $C_i$ 's
	workstation to access the $CMS$ server
HCA <sub>ID</sub>	Public identity for the application $HCA_i$
$HSA_k$	An application instance running on $BDSP_j$ 's
	workstation to access the NMS server
HCA <sub>ID</sub>	Public identity for the application $HCA_j$
$HC_j$	$j^{th}$ Hadoop cluster
$h(\cdot)$	One way hash function such as (SHA-1 or SHA-2)
$\mathbb{H}_1(\cdot)$	A one way hash function, where
ππ ( )	$\mathbb{H}_1 \colon \{0,1\}^* \to \mathbb{P}$
$\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot)$	A one way hash function, where $\mathbb{I}$
JT	$\mathbb{H}_2 \colon \mathbb{P} \to \{0, 1\}^*$ Job Tracker
$JT_{ID}$	Public identity of $JT$
KDC	Key Distribution Center
$K_{NMS,C}$	A pass-phrase shared among $NMS$ , $ES$ and $C$
K <sub>CMS,NMS</sub>	A shared symmetric key between CMS and NMS
$K_{CMS,NS}$	A shared symmetric key between $CMS$ and $NS$
$K_{CMS,JT}$	A shared symmetric key between $CMS$ and $JT$
$K_{CMS,BDSP}$	A pass-phrase shared among $CMS$ , $ES$ and $BDSP$
NMS	Namenode Management Server
NS NG	Namenode Server
	Public identity of NS Public identity of NMS
PWD	Password of C
	A set of all points on the elliptic curve $E_p(m, n)$
$Q_{CMS}$	Public key of $CMS$
$Q_{NMS}$	Public key of NMS
$Q_C$	Public key of $C$
$Q_{NS}$	Public key of NS
$Q_{BDSP}$	Public key of BDSP
q PCMS	160-bit prime
$\hat{R}_{C_i}^{CMS}$	A random number issued by $CMS$ to transform
DNMS	$C_{ID}$ and $PWD$
$R_{BDSP}^{NMS}$	A random number generated by $NMS$ to transform $BDSP_{ID}$ and $BDSP_{PWD}$
$S_{CMS}$	Private key of $CMS$
$S_{CMS}$	Private key of NMS
$S_{C}^{NMS}$	Private key of $C$
$S_{NS}$	Private key of NS
$S_{BDSP}$	Private key of BDSP
$SID_{NS}^{j}$	A shared pass-phrase between $j^{th} NS$ and $CMS$
$SID_{JT}^{j}$	A shared pass-phrase between $j^{th}$ JT and CMS
$SID_{NMS,CMS}$ or	A shared pass-phrase between $CMS$ and $NMS$
$SID_{CMS,NMS}$	
$TNS_{ID}$	A masked identity of NS
$TJT_{ID}$	A masked identity of $JT$
TCCA	Trusted Central Certification Authority
MTU	A masked identity of $C$
	A masked identity of $BDSP$
$\mathbb{Z}_q$	A finite field consisting of $0, 1, \dots, (q-1)$ elements

assumptions for HEAP. These assumptions are described as follows:

1) Two security application instances say  $HCA_i$  and  $HSA_k$  are running concurrently into two separate

workstations (user's and service provider's workstations) which enable to access the public servers (i.e., *CMS* and *NMS*s) in a HEAP-KDC realm.

- An administrative application instances say, "h-admin" takes the responsibility of initial credentials' (i.e., private keys, pass-phrases and public identities) configuration in the key distribution center (HEAP-KDC) (also see Figure 2).
- 3) A Trusted Central Certification Authority (TCCA) chooses a generator  $\mathcal{G}$  on the elliptic curve  $E_p(m, n)$  of order q, and selects two cryptographic hash functions say,  $\mathbb{H}_1(\cdot)$  and  $\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot)$ . Further, the TCCA generates a certificate  $Cert_E$  for an entity E. The entity E randomly chooses  $s_E \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$  as private key and computes the corresponding public key as  $Q_E = s_E \cdot \mathcal{G}$ .
- 4) BDSP enrolls (i.e., online registration) himself with CMS via NMS followed by an offline registration with ES. After registration, BDSP needs to login into the system. After login, BDSP registers his Hadoop cluster vis-a-vis the service servers (NSs' and JT's) with HEAP-KDC. Note that at least one cluster needs to be deployed with the KDC before initiating client registration.
- 5) *C* enrolls (i.e., online registration) himself with *NMS* via *CMS* followed by an offline registration with *ES*. After registration, *C* needs to login into the system for accessing the service servers (*NS*'s or *JT*'s).
- 6) *C* and *NS* or *C* and *JT* are not considered as trusted entity. They should mutually verify their legitimacy with the help of both *CMS* and *NMS*. After verification, either *C* and *NS* or *C* and *JT* become trusted to each other.
- 7) CMS keeps masked identities of Cs, R<sup>CMS</sup><sub>Ci</sub> s and all the secret credentials related to the Hadoop cluster vis-a-vis the service servers information whereas NMS stores masked identities of BDSPs, R<sup>NMS</sup><sub>BDSP</sub>s and all the secret credentials of clients (Cs). ES is having all the secret information of Cs', BDSPs' and service servers'. Note here, it is not permissible for HEAP-KDC's server (CMS or NMS or ES) to store the secret credentials (mainly identity, password) of any principals in a plaintext format.
- 8) *C* or *BDSP* goes through a two-server based mutual authentication to avail services from the service server or deploy a new cluster with HEAP-KDC.
- 9) Finally, *ES* does not available to any other entities (*C*s, *NS*s and *JT*s) except *NMS* and *CMS*.

# D. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF HEAP

This section illustrates the detailed description of the proposed protocol phases as follows.

# 1) HEAP-KDC CONFIGURATION

HEAP undergoes an initial configuration phase, where a System Administrator (SA) frames the Key Distribution Center (i.e., HEAP-KDC). In this phase, all public servers are

# TABLE 2. Summary of pre-loaded credentials into HEAP-KDC after the execution of *h*-admin.

	CMS	$CMS_{ID}, NMS_{ID}, ES_{ID},$
HEAP-KDC		$SID_{(CMS,NMS)}, K_{(CMS,ES)}, K_{(CMS,NMS)}$
	NMS	$CMS_{ID}, NMS_{ID}, ES_{ID},$
		$SID_{(NMS,CMS)}, K_{(NMS,ES)}, K_{(CMS,NMS)}$
	ES	$CMS_{ID}, NMS_{ID}, ES_{ID},$
		$K_{(CMS,ES)}, K_{(NMS,ES)}$
	HCA	$CMS_{ID}, HCA_{ID}$
Client and Service provider application	HSA	$NMS_{ID}, HSA_{ID}$
	HCA	$CMS_{ID}, HCA_{ID}$

pre-loaded with secret credentials administered by the SA. In this regard, an *admin* process, called *h-admin*, runs at the time of HEAP-KDC configuration under the supervision of the SA. This phase follows a public server registration process to register both *CMS* and *NMS* with *ES*. In contrast, *ES* loads the public identities of *CMS* and *NMS* namely *CMS<sub>ID</sub>* and *NMS<sub>ID</sub>* in its database and share its public identity with both the servers. In addition, the *h-admin* process assigns three long-term shared secret symmetric keys between *CMS* and *ES*, *NMS* and *ES*, and *CMS* and *NMS* as  $K_{(CMS,ES)}$ ,  $K_{(NMS,ES)}$  and  $K_{(CMS,NMS)}$ , respectively. Further, *h-admin* loads all these security parameters into respective servers. After the completion of *h-admin* process execution, the known security parameters with the HEAP-KDC are summarized in Table 2.

Note that *h*-admin also assigns two public identities for both client application (*HCA*) and service provider application (*HSA*), say *HCA*<sub>ID</sub> and *HSA*<sub>ID</sub>, respectively. *HCA*<sub>ID</sub> is publicly available to *CMS* and *HSA*<sub>ID</sub> is publicly available to *NMS*. Similarly, the public identity of *CMS* is known to *HCA* whereas the public identity of *NMS* are known to *HSA*. These identities are also useful for the key agreement process at the beginning of the client (or Big Data service provider) registration and login phases, respectively.

# 2) BIG DATA SERVICE PROVIDER REGISTRATION

Suppose a Big Data Service Provider (BDSP) wants to deploy a new Hadoop Cluster  $(HC_i)$  for providing the data storage and processing services via Internet. To enrol the  $HC_i$  with HEAP-KDC, BDSP's Administrator (BA) needs to register himself with ES offline (i.e., via the out-of-band channel or postal network) by giving the detail about total number of service servers', service types, Service Level Agreements (SLAs), service servers' location information, service servers' subscription, payment documents, etc. This entails the BA to avail a synthetic identity  $(S_{BDSP_{1D}})$ , a synthetic password  $(S_{BDSP_{PWD}})$  and a pass-phrase  $(K_{CMS,BDSP})$  respectively, via the out-of-band channel to the BDSP's physical address. Before sending these three security credentials to BA, ES securely sends  $S_{BDSP_{ID}}$  and  $S_{BDSP_{PWD}}$  to the NMS for creating a synthetic account of BA. ES also sends securely the pass-phrase  $K_{CMS,BDSP}$  to the CMS. Note that BA needs to use  $S_{BDSP_{ID}}$ ,  $S_{BDSP_{PWD}}$  and  $K_{CMS,BDSP}$  only for once to create his own profile into CMS with the help of NMS. Although, BA is permissible to use this pass-phrase  $K_{CMS,BDSP}$  for his password updation and service server registration process.

Figure 3 summarizes the *BA*'s registration phase, which contains the following steps:

- Step BDSPRG1: *BA* enters  $S_{BDSP_{ID}}$  and  $S_{BDSP_{PWD}}$  into *HSA*. *HSA* generates a random nonce say  $n'_1$ . *HSA* encrypts  $S_{BDSP_{ID}}$  and  $n'_1$  using  $S_{BDSP_{PWD}}$  as  $\mathcal{BDSP}_{Dtl} = E(S_{BDSP_{PWD}} : [S_{BDSP_{ID}}, n'_1])$ . *HSA* sends the message  $msg_{B1} = \{NMS_{ID}, n'_1, \mathcal{BDSP}_{Dtl}\}$  to the *NMS*.
- Step BDSPRG2: After receiving  $msg_{B1}$ , NMS decrypts  $\mathcal{BDSP}_{Dtl}$  and checks the availability of  $S_{BDSP_{ID}}$  in its database. If it exists then, BA is permissible to create its own account into CMS and return  $msg_{B2} = \{NMS_{ID}, CMS_{ID}, n'_1\}$ , and goto Step BDSPRG3 else, reject BA's request.
- Step BDSPRG3: *BA* enters its original identity as  $BDSP_{ID}$ in *HSA*. *HSA* chooses a random secret *d* and transforms the  $BDSP_{ID}$  as  $\mathcal{TU}' = h(BDSP_{ID}|| d ||HSA_{ID})$ . Using this transformed identity  $\mathcal{TU}'$ , both *BA* and *NMS* establishes a shared secret key ( $SK_{(NMS,BDSP)}$ ) between themselves followed by a mutual authentication process utilizing the similar analogy say "Initial key establishment between  $C_i$  and *FEAS*" reported in DPTSAP [10].
- Step BDSPRG4: *BA* enters its new password as  $BDSP_{PWD}$ into *HSA*. *HSA* computes the masked password  $BDSP_{PWD}^* = h(h(d|| BDSP_{PWD}) ||R_{BDSP}^{NMS})$ . Note that at the time of shared secret key establishment process  $R_{BDSP}^{NMS}$  was generated by *NMS* and it has been delivered securely using the key  $SK_{(NMS,BDSP)}$ . Further, both *BA*'s request and *NMS*'s response messages using DPTSAP [10] are represented as  $msg_{B3}$  and  $msg_{B4}$ , respectively in Figure 3.
- Step BDSPRG5: HSA encrypts  $BDSP_{PWD}^*$  using  $K_{(CMS,BDSP)}$  as  $\mathcal{BDSP}'_{Dtl} = E(K_{(CMS,BDSP)} : [BDSP_{PWD}^*, \mathcal{MTU}'])$ , where  $\mathcal{MTU}' = h(BDSP_{ID})||$  $d|| HSA_{ID}|| R_{BDSP}^{NMS}$ . HSA sends the message  $msg_{B5} = \{NMS_{ID}, n'_2, BDSP'_{Dtl}\}$  to the NMS.
- Step BDSPRG6: After receiving  $msg_{B5}$ , NMS broadcasts both  $\mathcal{MTU}'$  and  $\mathcal{BDSP}'_{Dtl}$  to both ES and CMS servers (see  $msg_{B5.1}$ ). NMS keeps only  $\mathcal{MTU}'$  and  $R^{NMS}_{BDSP}$  in its database and deletes other informations, wherein, after decrypting  $\mathcal{BDSP}'_{Dtl}$ , both ES and CMS stores  $\mathcal{MTU}'$ and  $BDSP^*_{PWD}$  into their corresponding databases (see  $msg_{B5.2}$ ). Finally, NMS sends a registration confirmation message as  $msg_{B6}$  to BA through HSA and goto Step BDSPRG7.
- Step BDSPRG7: *HSA* computes  $d^* = d \oplus h(BDSP_{ID} | |BDSP_{PWD})$ ,  $R_{BDSP}^{NMS^*} = R_{BDSP}^{NMS} \oplus h(d | |BDSP_{PWD})$ ,  $\mathcal{FI} = h(BDSP_{ID}|| BDSP_{PWD})$ ,  $K^*_{(CMS,BDSP)} = K_{(CMS,BDSP)} \oplus h(BDSP_{PWD} || R_{BDSP}^{NMS})$  and  $BDPW = h(BDSP_{ID} || HSA_{ID} || BDSP_{PWD} || R_{BDSP}^{NMS} || d)$ , and then stores these information into *HSA*'s database. *HSA* will use these information at the time of *BA*'s login, service server registration and password updation phases.

Note that after accomplishment of the registration process, *BA* needs to remember only two parameters  $BDSP_{ID}$  and  $BDSP_{PWD}$  to login into the system and then he can enrol any

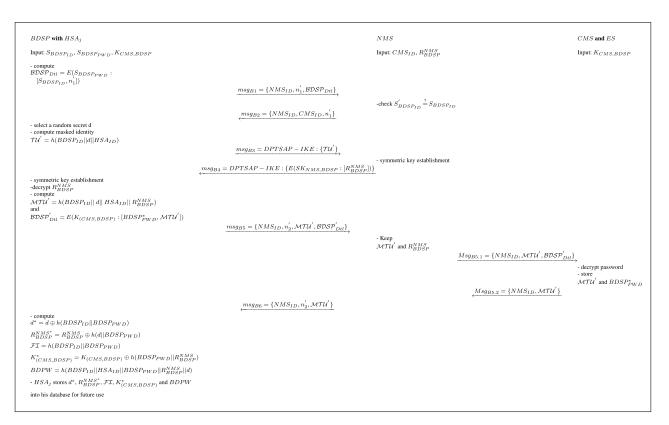


FIGURE 3. Summary of service provider registration.

number of Hadoop Clusters (HC) online with HEAP-KDC. Thus, the proposed service provider registration scheme is user friendly and scalable in nature. The online enrolment process of the HC driven by the *BA* is presented as follows.

# 3) HADOOP CLUSTER REGISTRATION

Hadoop cluster registration vis-a-vis service servers enrolment phase is proposed to carry out the different activities starting from service provider login to online registration of service servers (mainly, all Namenode servers and JobTrackers belongs to a particular Hadoop cluster say  $HC_j$ , where j = $1, 2, \dots, m$ ). The proposed enrolment phase consists of three activities: 1) service provider (*BA*) login, 2) mutual authentication and session key establishment between *BA* and *NMS* and 3) service servers registration. The detail steps involved in this process are discussed as follows. For simplicity, in this study, we assume a particular cluster say  $HC_j$  consists of a single Namenode server (*NS<sub>j</sub>*) and a single Job Tracker server (*JT<sub>j</sub>*), and *NS<sub>j</sub>* is responsible to provide the Big Data storage services wherein *JT<sub>j</sub>* yields the Big Data processing services to the remote user online.

# a: SERVICE PROVIDER LOGIN AT WORKSTATION

After the completion of BA's registration process, BA tries to login into the system using the server application HSA. Note here, before initiating service provider (BA) login into BA's workstation, HSA loads all BA's transform identities (that is,  $\mathcal{FI}_i$ , where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ) into its browser cookie. A diagram summarizing several communication message exchanges between *BA* and *NMS* involved throughout the service provider login, authenticated key establishment and service server registration process are shown in Figure 9, and it contains the following steps:

- Step BDSPL1: *BA* enters his original identity *BDSP<sub>ID</sub>* and password *BDSP<sub>PWD</sub>* into *HSA*. *HSA* computes  $\mathcal{FI}^* = h(BDSP_{ID} || BDSP_{PWD})$  and checks this entry exists in its cookie or not. If it exists then *HSA* loads the respective  $d^*$ ,  $R_{BDSP}^{NMS^*}$ ,  $K_{CMS,BDSP}^*$  and *BDPW* entries for the same *BA*.
- Step BDSPL2: *HSA* computes  $d = d^* \oplus h(BDSP_{ID} | BDSP_{PWD})$ ,  $R_{BDSP}^{NMS} = R_{BDSP}^{NMS^*} \oplus h(d || BDSP_{PWD})$  and  $K_{(CMS,BDSP)} = K_{(CMS,BDSP)}^* \oplus h(R_{BDSP}^{NMS} || BDSP_{PWD})$ , and goto Step BDSPL3. Else, *BA* can repeat Step BDSPL1 with another user identity and password.
- Step BDSPL3: *HSA* computes  $BDPW^* = h(BDSP_{ID} || HSA_{ID} || BDSP_{PWD} || d)$  and checks if the condition  $BDPW^* = BDPW$  holds or not. If it holds, *BA* is treated as an authentic service provider.

### b: AUTHENTICATED KEY AGREEMENT PHASE

After successful logging in into the system, *HSA* initiate an authenticated key formation process between *BA/BDSP* and *NMS*. The detail steps involved in this process are shown in Figure 9 and are discussed as follows.

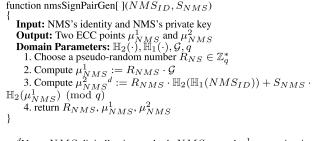
function bdspSignPairGen[]( $\mathcal{MTU}', S_{BDSP}$ )
Input: $BDSP/BA$ 's masked identity and $BDSP$ 's private key
<b>Output:</b> Two ECC points as $\lambda_{BDSP}^1$ and $\lambda_{BDSP}^2$ <b>Domain Parameters:</b> $\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q$
<b>Domain Parameters:</b> $\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q$
1. Select a pseudo-random number $R_{BDSP} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$
2. Compute $\lambda^1_{BDSP} := R_{BDSP} \cdot \mathcal{G}$
3. Compute $\lambda_{BDSP}^2 := R_{BDSP} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU}')) + S_{BDSP} \cdot  $
$\mathbb{H}_2\left(\lambda_{BDSP}^1\right) \pmod{q}$
4. return $R_{BDSP}$ , $\lambda^1_{BDSP}$ , $\lambda^2_{BDSP}$
}
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Note: *BDSP* digitally sign on both  $\mathcal{M} \cap \mathcal{U}$  and  $\lambda_{BDSP}^*$  using its private key  $S_{BDSP}$ .

FIGURE 4. BDSP's signature generation process.

- Step MASKA1: *HSA* computes  $BDSP_i$  masked identity  $\mathcal{MTU}' = h(BDSP_{ID}||d|| HSA_{ID}|| R_{BDSP}^{NMS})$ . Further, *HSA* generates two pseudo-random numbers ( $\lambda_{BDSP}^1$  and  $\lambda_{BDSP}^2$ ) utilizing  $\mathcal{MTU}'$  and different pre-loaded security domain parameters as the input to a function say bdspSignPairGen[](·) (see Figure 4).
- Step MASKA2: *HSA* forms the message  $M_1 = \{\mathcal{MTU}', \lambda_{BDSP}^1, \lambda_{BDSP}^2, NMS_{ID}, Cert_{BDSP}\}$  and sends it to NMS via a public channel.
- Step MASKA3: After receiving  $M_1$ , *NMS* searches its database to check the existence of  $\mathcal{MTU}'$ . If it finds the same then *NMS* generates two pseudo-random numbers ( $\mu_{NMS}^1$ ,  $\mu_{NMS}^2$ ) by taking *NMS<sub>ID</sub>* and other domain parameters as the input to a function say nmsSignPair-Gen[](·) (see Figure 5).
- Step MASKA4: *NMS* constructs a message  $M_2 = \{NMS_{ID}, CMS_{ID}, \lambda^2_{BDSP}, E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [\mathcal{MTU}', \mu^2_{NMS}])\}$  and sends it to *CMS* via a public channel.
- Step MASKA5: After receiving the message  $M_2$ , *CMS* searches both  $\mathcal{MTU}'$  and  $NMS_{ID}$  in its database. If both are exists then *CMS* understands that both *BDSP* and *NMS* are legitimate parties, and goto Step MASKA6; otherwise, rejects *NMS*'s request.
- Step MASKA6: *CMS* loads both *BDSP*'s pass-phrase ( $K_{CMS,BDSP}$ ) and *NMS*'s secret identity ( $SID_{CMS,NMS}$ ) from its database. *CMS* modifies both *BDSP*'s and *NMS*'s partial signatures (i.e.,  $\mu_{NMS}^2$  and  $\lambda_{BDSP}^2$ ) using a function cmodifiedSignPairGen[](·) (see Figure 6) as (1)  $\mu_{NMS}^{new 1} = \mu_{NMS}^2 + S_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2$  ( $\mathbb{H}_1(K_{CMS,BDSP})$ ) (mod q) =  $R_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(NMS_{ID})) + S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mu_{1,MMS}^1) + S_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2$  ( $\mathbb{H}_1(K_{CMS,BDSP})$ ) (mod q) and (2)  $\lambda_{BDSP}^{new 2} = \lambda_{BDSP}^2 + S_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{CMS,NMS}))$ ) (mod q) =  $R_{BDSP} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU}') + S_{BDSP} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\lambda_{BDSP}^1) + S_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2$  ( $\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{CMS,NMS})$ )) (mod q) and goto Step MASKA7.
- Step MASKA7: *CMS* constructs a message  $M_3 = \{CMS_{ID}, NMS_{ID}, Cert_{CMS}, E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [\lambda_{BDSP}^{new}]), \}$

<sup>2</sup>Note: *CMS* digitally sign on the messages say  $\mathcal{MTU}'$ , *SID<sub>CMS,NMS</sub>* and  $\lambda_{BDSP}^1$  using its private key *S<sub>CMS</sub>*.



<sup>*d*</sup>Note: *NMS* digitally sign on both *NMS*<sub>*ID*</sub> and  $\mu_{NMS}^1$  using its private key *S*<sub>*NMS*</sub>.

FIGURE 5. NMS's signature generation process.

FIGURE 6. Signature updation process into CMS.

 $E(BDSP^*_{PWD} : [\mathcal{MTU}', \mu^{new}_{NMS}])\}$  and sends the same to *NMS*.

- Step MASKA8: *NMS* verifies the legitimacy of both *BDSP* and *CMS* utilizing the bcmsVerification(·) function shown in Figure 7. If the function bcmsVerification(·) returns "Accept", then *NMS* construct a session key  $SK = R_{NMS} \cdot \lambda_{BDSP}^1 = R_{NMS} \cdot R_{BDSP} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and a message  $M_4 = \{\mathcal{MTU}', NMS_{ID}, \mu_{NMS}^1, Cert_{CMS}, Cert_{NMS}, E(BDSP_{PWD}^* : [\mathcal{MTU}', \mu_{NMS}^{new}]\}$ . *NMS* sends  $M_4$  to *BDSP*, and goto Step MASKA9; otherwise, it rejects *BDSP*'s request.
- Step MASKA9: After getting the message  $M_4$ , BDSP verifies both *NMS* and *CMS* utilizing the following function ncmsVerification( $\cdot$ ) (see Figure 8). If the function ncmsVerification( $\cdot$ ) returns "Accept" then *BSDP* receives *NMS*'s response and constructs a session key  $SK_{BDSP,NMS} = R_{BDSP} \cdot \mu_{NMS}^{1} = R_{BDSP} \cdot R_{NMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  otherwise; rejects *NMS*'s response.

Proof of Correctness: In order to verify the legitimacy of both BDSP and CMS, NMS needs to check  $\lambda_{BDSP}^{new} \cdot \mathcal{G} = \lambda_{BDSP}^2 \cdot \mathcal{G} + Q_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{NMS,CMS}))$ . To satisfy the verification condition, it must holds  $\lambda_{BDSP}^2 \cdot \mathcal{G} = \lambda_{BDSP}^1 \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU}')) + Q_{BDSP} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\lambda_{BDSP}^1) = R_{BDSP} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU}')) \cdot \mathcal{G} + S_{BDSP} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\lambda_{BDSP}^1) \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and  $Q_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{NMS,CMS})) = S_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{NMS,CMS})) \cdot \mathcal{G}$ . Similarly, to verify the legitimacy of both NMS and CMS,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Note: *CMS* digitally sign on the messages say  $\mu_{NMS}^2$ ,  $K_{CMS,NMS}$  and  $\mu_{NMS}^1$  using CMS's private key  $S_{CMS}$ .

function bcmsVerif( $E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [\lambda_{BDSP}^{new}])$ , $Cert_{BDSP}$ , $Cert_{CMS}$ )
Input: Encrypted CMS's signed message for NMS, BDSP's certificate,
<i>CMS</i> 's certificate <b>Output:</b> Accept or Reject <b>Domain Parameters:</b> $\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q$
<b>Data:</b> $K_{CMS,NMS}$ , $SID_{NMS,CMS}$ , $NMS_{ID}$ , $\mathcal{MTU}'$ , $\lambda^{1}_{PDSP}$ ,
$\lambda^2_{BDSP}, Cert_{NMS}, R_{NMS}$ 1. Retrieve $Q_{CMS}$ from $Cert_{CMS}$ $i^* CMS$ 's public key obtained from $CMS$ 's certificate
<sup>'</sup> 2. Retrieve $Q_{BDSP}$ from $Cert_{BDSP}$ <sup>/*</sup> $BDSP$ 's public key obtained from $BDSP$ 's certificate */
3. Retrieve $\lambda_{BDSP}^{new}$ from $E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [\lambda_{BDSP}^{new}])$ /* Decrypt $E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [\lambda_{BDSP}^{new}])$ using NMS - CMS's shared secret key */
4. Compute $Temp_1^N := \lambda_{BDSP}^{new} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ 5. Compute $Temp_2^N := \lambda_{BDSP}^2 \cdot \mathcal{G} + Q_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{NMS,CMS}))^e$ if $(Temp_1^N = Temp_2^N)$
6. Compute $SK := R_{NMS} \cdot \lambda^1_{BDSP} := R_{NMS} \cdot R_{BDSP} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ 7. return Accept //accept BDSP and CMS // } else
8. return Reject // reject <i>BDSP</i> and <i>CMS</i> //
$ \begin{array}{c} {}^{e}\lambda_{BDSP}^{2} \cdot \mathcal{G} = \lambda_{BDSP}^{1} \cdot X_{1} + Q_{BDSP} \cdot X_{2}, \text{ where } X_{1} = \\ \mathbb{H}_{2}(\mathbb{H}_{1}(\mathcal{MTU}')) \text{ and } X_{2} = \mathbb{H}_{2}(\lambda_{BDSP}^{1}) \end{array} $

FIGURE 7. BDSP and CMS verification process at NMS.

FIGURE 8. NMS and CMS verification process at BDSP.

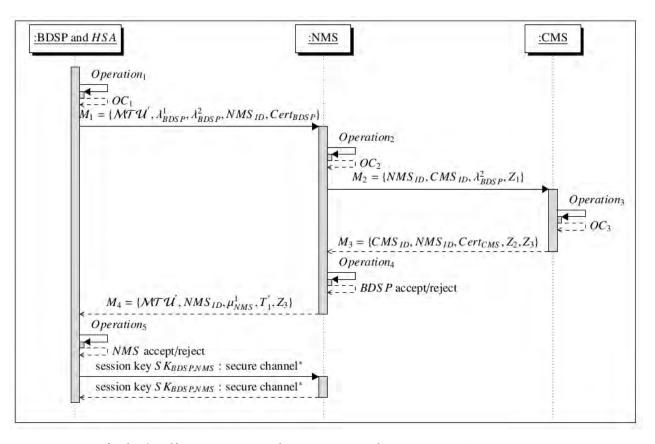
*BDSP* needs to verify  $\mu_{NMS}^{new} \cdot \mathcal{G} = Y_1 \cdot \mu_{NMS}^1 + Y_2 \cdot Q_{NMS} + Y_3 \cdot Q_{CMS}$ , where  $Y_1 = \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(NMS_{ID})), Y_2 = \mathbb{H}_2(\mu_{NMS}^1)$  and  $Y_3 = \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(K_{CMS,BDSP}))$ . To satisfy the condition, it must

satisfies  $Y_1 \cdot \mu_{NMS}^1 = Y_1 \cdot R_{NMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ ,  $Y_2 \cdot Q_{NMS} = Y_2 \cdot S_{NMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ and  $Y_3 \cdot Q_{CMS} = Y_3 \cdot S_{CMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ .

### c: SERVICE SERVERS' REGISTRATION PHASE

After establishment of SK<sub>BDSP,NMS</sub> between BA/BDSP and NMS, HSA starts a new session with NMS. In this regards, BDSP can securely enrol all the service servers mainly  $NS_i$ (responsible for Big Data storage services) and  $JT_i$  (responsible for Big Data processing services) with HEAP-KDC via NMS. For simplicity, in this study, we assume that the BDSP wants to configure a Hadoop Cluster  $HC_i$  which consists of only two service servers namely (1)  $NS_i$ : responsible for controlling both namespace management and Big Data storage service activities and (2)  $JT_i$ : responsible for both task assignment and Big Data processing activities. To initiate a service server registration process, BDSP sends an initial enrolment request for both  $NS_i$  and  $JT_i$  to NMS via secure channel (using  $SK_{BDSP,NMS}$ ). In this regard, NMS asks CMS to provide two shared symmetric keys for  $NS_i$  and  $JT_j$ . CMS sends the keys in encrypted format as  $K_{ns,jt} = E(K_{CMS,BDSP} : [K_{CMS,NS}$  $||K_{CMS,JT}|$ ). Thereafter, as a response to the BDSP's request, NMS sends two random numbers namely  $R_{NS_i}^{NMS}$  and  $R_{JT_i}^{NMS}$ along with  $K_{ns,it}$  to BDSP. A diagram summarizing several communication message exchanges between BDSP and NMS involved throughout the service server registration process are shown in Figure 10, and it contains the following steps:

- Step SSRG1: *BDSP* enters the security credentials namely the identity, symmetric key and synthetic password for both the service servers (i.e.,  $NS_j$  and  $JT_j$ ) into *HSA*. *HSA* computes the masked identities for  $NS_j$  and  $JT_j$  as  $TNS_{ID} = h(NS_{ID} ||HSA_{ID}|| rss_1)$  and  $TJT_{ID} = h(JT_{ID} ||HSA_{ID}|| rss_2)$ , and the masked password for the same service servers as  $SID_{NS}^{j} = h(NS_{PWD} || rss_1 || R_{NS_j}^{NMS})$  and  $SID_{JT}^{j} = h(JT_{PWD} || rss_2 ||R_{JT_j}^{NMS})$ , respectively. Note that  $rss_1$  and  $rss_2$  are two random numbers chosen by *HSA*.
- Step SSRG2: *HSA* computes the masked identity of BDSP as  $\mathcal{MTU}'$  and construct a message  $M_5 = {\mathcal{MTU}', NMS_{ID}, n_3, E(K_{(CMS,BDSP)}) : [\mathcal{MTU}', n_3, TNS_{ID}, K_{CMS,NS}, SID_{NS}^{j}, TJT_{ID}, K_{CMS,JT}, SID_{JT}^{j}]), E(SK_{BDSP,NMS} : [\mathcal{MTU}', n_3])} and sends the same to NMS.$
- Step SSRG3: After receiving the message  $M_5$ , NMS checks the presence of  $\mathcal{MTU}'$  into  $Z_5 = E(SK_{BDSP,NMS} : [\mathcal{MTU}', n_3])$  after decrypting the  $Z_5$  using the key  $SK_{BDSP,NMS}$ . If  $\mathcal{MTU}'$  exists in its database then BDSP is treated as authentic service provider and NMS broadcasts { $\mathcal{MTU}', E(K_{(CMS,BDSP)} : [\mathcal{MTU}', n_3, TNS_{ID}, K_{CMS,NS}, SID_{NS}^{j}, TJT_{ID}, K_{CMS,JT}, SID_{JT}^{j}])$ } to both *CMS* and *ES*. After receiving  $E(K_{(CMS,BDSP)} : [\mathcal{MTU}', n_3, TNS_{ID}, K_{CMS,NS}, SID_{NS}^{j}, TJT_{ID}, K_{CMS,JT}, SID_{JT}^{j}])$ }, both *CMS* and *ES* decrypts it and updates their service server databases (after finding out the availability of masked server identity into their databases) and sends their acknowledgements to *NMS*.



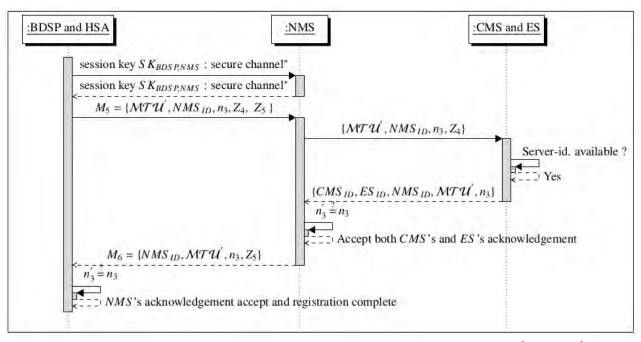
**FIGURE 9.** Summary of authenticated key agreement process between *BDSP/BA* and *NMS*. **Note:** Here,  $T'_1 = \{Cert_{CMS}, Cert_{NMS}\}$ ,  $Z_1 = E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [\mathcal{MTU}', \mu^2_{NMS}]), Z_2 = E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [\mathcal{M}^{new}_{BDSP}]), Z_3 = E(BDSP^*_{PMD} : [\mathcal{MTU}', \mu^{new}_{NMS}]), Operation_1, Operation_2, Operation_3, Operation_4 and Operation_5: signifies execution of the function bdspSignPairGen[](·), nmsSignPairGen[](·), cmodifiedSignPairGen[](·), bcmsVerif(·) and ncmsVerif(·), respectively (refer Figure 4, Figure 5, Figure 6, Figure 7 and Figure 8) and <math>OC_1$ ,  $OC_2$  and  $OC_3$ : denotes outcome of bdspSignPairGen[](·), nmsSignPairGen[](·), nmsSignPai

- Step SSRG4: Upon getting the acknowledgements from both the servers (*CMS* and *ES*), *NMS* checks  $n'_3 \stackrel{?}{=} n_3$ . If the condition is satisfied then *NMS* constructs a service servers' (here, we consider two service servers i.e., *NS* and *JT* in a particular cluster) registration completion message as  $M_6 = \{NMS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}', n_3, E(SK_{BDSP,NMS} : [NMS_{ID}, n_3])\}$  and sends it to *BDSP*.
- Step SSRG5: Getting the message  $M_6$ , BDSP decrypts  $E(SK_{BDSP,NMS} : [NMS_{ID}, n_3])$  and checks that  $n'_3 \stackrel{?}{=} n_3$ . If the condition is satisfied then *BDSP* understand the legitimacy of *NMS* and realized that the service servers registration has been successfully accomplished with HEAP-KDC.
- Step SSRG6: HSA computes  $NS'_{ID} = NS_{ID} \oplus h(BDSP_{ID})$   $|| BDSP_{PWD}), JT'_{ID} = JT_{ID} \oplus h(BDSP_{ID}) || BDSP_{PWD}),$   $NS^{PWD'}_{j} = NS^{PWD}_{j} \oplus h(BDSP_{ID}) || BDSP_{PWD}), JT^{PWD'}_{j} =$   $JT^{PWD}_{j} \oplus h(BDSP_{ID}) || BDSP_{PWD}), rss^{*}_{1} = rss_{1} \oplus$   $h(BDSP_{ID}) || BDSP_{PWD})$  and  $rss^{*}_{2} = rss_{2} \oplus h(BDSP_{ID})$   $|| BDSP_{PWD}),$  respectively. HSA stores  $NS'_{ID}, JT'_{ID},$   $NS^{PWD'}_{j}, JT^{PWD'}_{j}, rss^{*}_{1}, rss^{*}_{2}$  and  $HC^{ID}_{j}$  information into its database for future use. Note that

 $HC_{j}^{ID}$  signifies here as the pre-deployed Hadoop cluster's identity and HSA assigns a random value for it.

After successful registration of the service servers, *BDSP* configures the service servers and its client application  $(HDCL_j)$  for the cluster  $HC_j$ . In this regard, *BDSP* stores the secret credentials offline among the corresponding service servers and  $HDCL_j$ . More precisely  $NS_j$  has  $TNS_{ID} = h(NS_{ID})$   $|| HSA_{ID}|| rss_1$ ,  $K_{CMS,NS}$  and  $SID_{NS}^j = h(NS_{PWD} || rss_1)|$   $|| HSA_{ID}|| rss_2$ ),  $K_{CMS,NS}$  and  $SID_{NS}^j = h(NS_{PWD} || rss_1)|$  and  $SID_{JT}^j = h(JT_{PWD}|| rss_2 || R_{JT_j}^{NMS})$ , and  $HDCL_j$  has both  $TNS_{ID} = h(NS_{ID} || HSA_{ID} || rss_1)$  information, respectively. Thus, completes the  $HC_j$ 's deployment process. Finally, *BDSP* make the  $HC_j$  online for providing the Big Data storage and processing services to the end users'.

*Remark 1:* In the service server registration phase, we present an enrolment strategy considering two service servers (Namenode Server (*NS*) and Job Tracker (*JT*)) belong to a particular Hadoop cluster ( $HC_j$ ). But, for simplicity and better understanding, throughout this paper, we consider only one service server to describe the other phases of the proposed



**FIGURE 10.** Summary of service server registration process. Note: Here,  $Z_4 = E(K_{(CMS,BDSP)} : [\mathcal{MTU}', n_3, TNS_{ID}, SID_{NS}^j, TIT_{ID}, SID_{JT}^j])$  and  $Z_5 = E(SK_{BDSP,NMS} : [NMS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}', n_3]).$ 

protocol. Note that *NS* is responsible for providing Big Data storage services utilizing HDFS and *JT* is solely made for providing Big Data processing services using MapReduce to the end users'. Though, we restrict our discussion with *NS* only, but one could simply apply the same proposed mechanism for *JT* also.

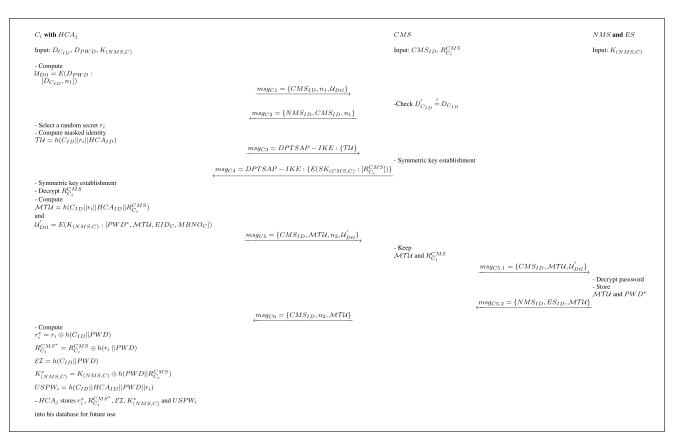
*Remark 2:* According to the policy of the proposed scheme, the online enrolment process of the service servers' (*NSs*' or *JTs*' belongs to a particular cluster (*HC<sub>j</sub>*)) is simple, flexible and scalable. Because, a service provider (*BDSP<sub>j</sub>*) can add or remove any number of service servers' (*NSs*' or *JTs*') to or form HEAP-KDC. However, to do this, the service provider needs to enroll himself with the HEAP-KDC once and keep his user identity and password secret.

### 4) USER REGISTRATION

Initially, a user  $C_i$  needs to register himself with ES offline (i.e., via the out-of-band channel or postal network) by giving his identity proof, address proof and service subscription payment documents. This entails  $C_i$  to avail a dummy user-id  $(D_{C_{ID}})$ , dummy password  $(D_{PWD})$  and a one-time key  $(K_{(NMS,C)})$  via the out-of-band channel to his physical address. Before sending these three security credentials to  $C_i$ , ES securely sends  $D_{C_{ID}}$  and  $D_{PWD}$  to CMS for creating a dummy account of  $C_i$ . ES also sends securely the one-time key  $K_{(NMS,C)}$  to NMS. Note that  $C_i$  needs to use  $D_{C_{ID}}$ ,  $D_{PWD}$ and  $K_{(NMS,C)}$  only for once to create his own user profile into NMS with the help of CMS. But,  $C_i$  is permissible to use the key  $K_{(NMS,C)}$  (we also call it as pass-phrase) at the time of session key formation and password updation tasks. Figure 11 summarizes the user registration phase and contains the following steps:

- Step URG1:  $C_i$  enters  $D_{C_{ID}}$  and  $D_{PWD}$  into  $HCA_j$ .  $HCA_j$ generates a random nonce say  $n_1$ .  $HCA_j$  encrypts  $D_{C_{ID}}$ and  $n_1$  using  $D_{PWD}$  as  $U_{Dtl} = E(D_{PWD} : [D_{C_{ID}}, n_1])$ .  $HCA_j$  sends the message  $msg_{C1} = \{CMS_{ID}, n_1, U_{Dtl}\}$  to the CMS.
- Step URG2: After receiving  $msg_{C1}$ , *CMS* decrypts  $U_{Dtl}$ and checks the availability of  $D_{C_{ID}}$  in its database. If it exists then *CMS* acknowledge with a message  $msg_{C2} =$  $\{NMS_{ID}, CMS_{ID}, n_1\}$  to  $C_i$  and  $C_i$  is permissible to create his own profile into *NMS*, and goto Step URG3 else, reject  $C_i$ 's request.
- Step URG3:  $C_i$  enters a new user-id  $C_{ID}$  in  $HCA_j$ .  $HCA_j$ chooses a random secret  $r_i$  and transforms the  $C_{ID}$  as  $\mathcal{TU} = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID})$ . Using this transformed identity  $\mathcal{TU}$ , both  $C_i$  and CMS establishes a shared secret key say  $SK_{(CMS,C)}$  between themselves using the similar analogy proposed as "Initial key establishment between  $C_i$  and *FEAS*" in DPTSAP [10]. It is worth noting that  $HCA_{ID}$  is the public identity of client application and it is known to  $HCA_i$ .
- Step URG4:  $C_i$  enters his password PWD into  $HCA_j$ .  $HCA_j$ computes the masked password  $PWD^* = h(h(r_i|| PWD)|| R_{C_i}^{CMS})$  and go to Step URG5. Here,  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  was generated by CMS and it has been delivered securely using the key  $SK_{(CMS,C)}$  at the time of "secret key establishment" process [10]. Further, both  $C_i$ 's request and CMS's response messages using DPTSAP [10] are represented as  $msg_{C3}$  and  $msg_{C4}$  respectively in Figure 11.
- Step URG5:  $HCA_j$  asks  $C_i$  to give his registered mobile number ( $MBNO_C$ ) and a valid email id. ( $EID_C$ ). After taking  $MBNO_C$  and  $EID_C$  from  $C_i$ ,  $HCA_j$  encrypts  $\mathcal{MTU}$ ,  $PWD^*$   $MBNO_C$  and  $EID_C$  using  $K_{NMS,C}$  as





### FIGURE 11. Summary of user registration.

 $\mathcal{U}_{Dtl}' = E(K_{(NMS,C)} : [PWD^*, \mathcal{MTU}, MBNO_C]), \text{ where } \mathcal{MTU} = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID}|| R_{C_i}^{CMS}). HCA_j \text{ sends the message } msg_{C5} = \{CMS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}, n_2, \mathcal{U}_{Dtl}'\} \text{ to the } CMS.$ 

- Step URG6: After receiving  $ms_{gC5}$ , CMS broadcasts both  $\mathcal{MTU}$  and  $\mathcal{U}'_{Dtl}$  to both ES and NMS servers respectively. CMS keeps only  $\mathcal{MTU}$  and  $R_{Ci}^{CMS}$  in its database and deletes other information, wherein, after decrypting  $\mathcal{U}'_{Dtl}$ , both ES and NMS stores  $\mathcal{MTU}$ , EID<sub>C</sub>, MBNO<sub>C</sub> and PWD\* into their corresponding databases. Finally, CMS sends a registration confirmation message to  $C_i$  through  $HCA_i$  and goto Step URG7.
- Step URG7:  $HCA_j$  computes  $r_i^* = r_i \oplus h(C_{ID} || PWD)$ ,  $R_{C_i}^{CMS^*} = R_{C_i}^{CMS} \oplus h(r_i || PWD)$ ,  $\mathcal{EI} = h(C_{ID} || PWD)$ ,  $K_{(NMS,C)}^* = K_{(NMS,C)} \oplus h(PWD || R_{C_i}^{CMS})$  and  $USPW_i = h(C_{ID} || HCA_{ID} || PWD || r_i)$ , and then stores these information into  $HCA_j$ 's database.  $HCA_j$  will use these information at the time of user authentication and password updation phases.

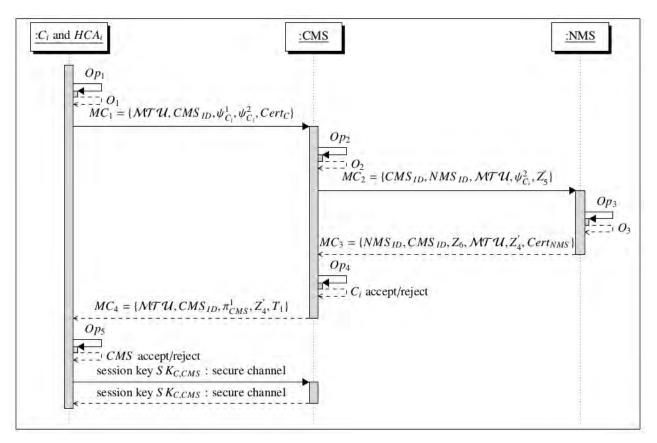
After successful registration of client  $C_i$  with HEAP-KDC,  $C_i$  needs to remember only two parameters  $C_{ID}$  and *PWD* to access the services from any on-demand service server (either  $NS_j$  or  $JT_j$ ) belongs to a particular Hadoop cluster say  $HC_j$  followed by a user login and authenticated key agreement phases discussed in the following sections. Thus, the proposed protocol is user friendly in nature.

### 5) USER LOGIN AT WORKSTATION

After the completion of user registration process,  $C_i$  tries to login into the system using the client application  $HCA_j$ . Before initiating user login task into  $C_i$ 's workstation,  $HCA_j$  loads the user's masked identities ( $\mathcal{EI}_i$ , where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) into browser cookies. The client-side login process contains the following steps:

- Step UL1:  $C_i$  enter his original identity  $C_{ID}$  and password *PWD* into  $HCA_j$ .  $HCA_j$  computes  $\mathcal{ET}^* = h(C_{ID}||PWD)$  and checks this entry exists in the cookies or not. If it exists then  $HCA_j$  loads  $r_i^*$ ,  $R_{C_i}^{CMS^*}$  and  $USPW_i$  entries for the same  $C_i$ .  $HCA_j$  computes  $r_i = r_i^* \oplus h(C_{ID} ||PWD)$  and  $R_{C_i}^{CMS} = R_{C_i}^{CMS^*} \oplus h(r_i ||PWD)$  and goto Step UL2. Else, client can repeat Step UL1 with other user identity and password.
- Step UL2:  $HCA_j$  computes  $USPW_i^* = h(C_{ID} || HCA_{ID} || PWD || r_i)$  and checks if the condition  $USPW_i^* = USPW_i$  holds or not. If it holds,  $C_i$  is treated as authentic user.

After logged in into the client system,  $C_i$  needs to select the  $j^{th}$  cluster say  $HC_j$  from a list of Hadoop clusters  $(HC_1, HC_2, \dots, HC_j, \dots, HC_n)$  for storing or processing the Big Data. According to the selection,  $HCA_j$  loads the respective client application say  $HDCL_j$  belongs to the  $HC_j$ into the client workstation. In order to store or process  $C_i$ 's Big Data securely,  $HCA_j$  initiate a single sign-on and



**FIGURE 12.** Summary of mutual authentication and key establishment process between  $C_i$  and CMS. Note:  $T_1 = \{Cert_{CMS}, Cert_{NMS}\}, Z'_4 = E(PWD^* : [\mathcal{MTU}||V_{cnew}]), Z'_5 = E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [CMS_{ID}||\pi^2_{CMS}]), Z_6 = E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [CMS_{ID}||V_{cnsnew}]), Op_i, where <math>i = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ : signifies the execution of the function cSignPairGen[](·), cmsSignPairGen[](·), nmodifiedSignPairGen[](·), cmsVerif(·) and cmnWerif(·), respectively (refer Figure 13, Figure 14, Figure 15, Figure 16 and Figure 17) and  $O_j$ , where  $j = \{1, 2, 3\}$ : denotes the outcome of cSignPairGen[](·), cmsSignPairGen[](·) and nmodifiedSignPairGen[](·) functions.

session key establishment task between  $C_i$  and HEAP-KDC as follows.

### 6) SINGLE SIGN-ON AND DYNAMIC KEY ESTABLISHMENT

A two-server based Single sign-on (SSO) and Dynamic Key Agreement (DKA) process is proposed to access Big Data storage services from a remote Namenode Server  $(NS_j)$ (or access Big Data processing services from a remote Job Tracker  $(JT_j)$ ) of a specified Hadoop cluster say  $HC_j$ . The proposed two-server based SSO and dynamic key agreement process establishes a dynamic key between  $C_i$  and HEAP-KDC followed by a mutual authentication process. The detail steps involved in this tasks are discussed as follows.

Note here, the proposed SSO and dynamic key establishment between  $C_i$  and CMS are based on ECC and AES. The known pre-deployed security domain parameters among  $HCA_i$ , CMS and NMS are  $\mathcal{G}$ , q,  $\mathbb{H}_1(\cdot)$  and  $\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot)$ , respectively. Initially,  $HCA_i$  selects a private key  $S_C$  for client  $C_i$  and computes the corresponding public key  $Q_C = S_C \cdot \mathcal{G}$ . Similarly,  $S_{CMS}$  and  $S_{NMS}$  are private keys for CMS and NMSand the corresponding public keys are  $Q_{CMS} = S_{CMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and  $Q_{NMS} = S_{NMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ , respectively. Here,  $S_C$ ,  $S_{CMS}$  and  $S_{NMS}$ are belongs to  $\mathbb{Z}_q^*$ . All these parties keep their private keys (i.e.,  $S_C$ ,  $S_{CMS}$  and  $S_{NMS}$ ) secret, but disseminate the public keys  $Q_C$ ,  $Q_{CMS}$  and  $Q_{NMS}$  using  $Cert_E$ . The proposed key agreement and mutual authentication task between  $C_i$  and *CMS* are summarized in Figure 12.

The detail steps involved in this process are discussed as follows.

- Step DKA1:  $HCA_j$  computes  $C_i$  masked identity  $\mathcal{MTU} = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID}|| R_{C_i}^{CMS})$ . Further,  $HCA_j$  generates two pseudo-random numbers  $(\psi_{C_i}^1 \text{ and } \psi_{C_i}^2)$  utilizing  $\mathcal{MTU}$  and other pre-loaded security domain parameters as the input to a function say  $cSignPairGen[](\cdot)$  (see Figure 13).
- Step DKA2:  $HCA_j$  construct a message  $MC_1 = \{\mathcal{MTU}, CMS_{ID}, \psi_{C_i}^1, \psi_{C_i}^2, Cert_C\}$  and sends it to CMS via a public channel.
- Step DKA3: After receiving  $MC_1$ , CMS searches its database to check the existence of  $\mathcal{MTU}$ . If it finds the same then CMS generates two pseudo-random numbers  $(\pi_{CMS}^1 \text{ and } \pi_{CMS}^2)$  by taking  $CMS_{ID}$  and other domain parameters as the input to a function say *cmsSignPair-Gen[ ](·)* (see Figure 14).
- Step DKA4: *CMS* constructs a message  $MC_2 = \{CMS_{ID}, NMS_{ID}, MTU, \psi_{C_i}^2, E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [CMS_{ID} || \pi_{CMS}^2])\}$ and sends it to *NMS* via a public channel.

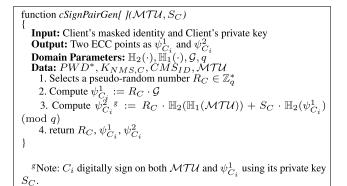


FIGURE 13. Ci's signature generation process.



- Step DKA5: After receiving the message  $MC_2$ , NMS searches both  $\mathcal{MTU}$  and  $CMS_{ID}$  in its database. If both are exists then NMS understands that both  $C_i$  and CMS are legitimate parties, and goto Step DKA6; otherwise, rejects CMS's request.
- Step DKA6: *NMS* loads both  $C_i$ 's pass-phrase ( $K_{NMS,C}$ ) and *NMS*'s secret identity ( $SID_{CMS,NMS}$ ) from its database. *NMS* modifies both  $C_i$ 's and CMS's partial signatures (i.e.,  $\pi_{CMS}^2$  and  $\psi_{C_i}^2$ ) using a function *nmodifiedSignPairGen[* ](·) (see Figure 15) as (1)  $V_{cnew}^3 = \pi_{CMS}^2 + S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2$  ( $\mathbb{H}_1(K_{NMS,C})$ ) (mod q) =  $R_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(CMS_{ID})) + S_{CMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\pi_{CMS}^1) + S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2$ ( $\mathbb{H}_1(K_{NMS,C})$ ) (mod q) and (2)  $V_{cmsnew}^4 = \psi_{C_i}^2 + S_{NMS} \cdot$  $\mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{CMS,NMS}))$  (mod q) =  $R_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU})$  $+S_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1) + S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2$  ( $\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{CMS,NMS})$ ) (mod q) and goto Step DKA7.
- Step DKA7: *NMS* constructs a message  $MC_3 = \{NMS_{ID}, CMS_{ID}, E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [CMS_{ID}|| V_{cmsnew}]), MTU, E(PWD^* : [MTU ||V_{cnew}]), Cert_{NMS}\}$  and sends the same to CMS.
- Step DKA8: CMS verifies the legitimacy of both  $C_i$ and NMS utilizing the cnmsVerif(·) function shown

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<sup>3</sup>Note: NMS digitally sign on the messages say \pi_{CMS}^2, K_{NMS,C} and \pi_{CMS}^1 using NMS's private key S_{NMS}.
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<sup>4</sup>Note: *NMS* digitally sign on the messages say  $\mathcal{MTU}$ , *SID<sub>CMS,NMS</sub>* and  $\psi_{C_i}^1$  using its private key  $S_{NMS}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{function} & nmodifiedSignPairGen[ & ](\psi_{C_i}^2, E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [CMS_{ID}, \pi_{CMS}^2])) \\ \{ & \mbox{Input:} C_i`s \mbox{ partial signature and encrypted } NMS`s \mbox{ partial signature } \\ & \mbox{Output:} Both $C_i`s$ and $NMS`s$ modified signature } \\ & \mbox{Output:} Both $C_i`s$ and $NMS`s$ modified signature } \\ & \mbox{Domain Parameters:} \mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q \\ & \mbox{Data:} PWD^*, K_{NMS,C}, K_{CMS,NMS}, SID_{NMS,CMS}, \\ & NMS_{ID}, CMS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU} \\ & \mbox{if}(\mathcal{MTU}^* = \mathcal{MTU} & \&\& & CMS_{ID}^{'} = CMS_{ID}) \\ & \{ \\ & 1. V_{cnew} = \pi_{CMS}^2 + S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(K_{NMS,C})) \pmod{q} \\ & 2. V_{cmsnew} = \psi_{C_i}^2 + S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{CMS,NMS})) \\ & \mbox{(mod $q$)} \\ & 3. \mbox{ return } V_{cnew}, V_{cmsnew} \, / \, \text{accept } C_i \mbox{ and } CMS \, / \\ & \end{tabular} \\ & else \\ & \end{tabular} \\ & \$$



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cnmsVerif(E(K_{CMS,NMS}))
function
 [CMS_{ID}, V_{cmsnew}]), Cert_C, Cert_{NMS})
    Input: Modified and encrypted C_i's partial signature, C_i's certificate,
     NMS's certificate
Output: Accept or Reject
     Domain Parameters: \mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q
    Data: K_{CMS,NMS}, SID_{NMS,CMS}, NMS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}, \psi_{C_s}^1,
     \psi_{C_i}^2, Cert_{CMS}, R_{CMS}

1. Retrieve Q_{NMS} = S_{NMS} \cdot \mathcal{G} from Cert_{NMS}

j^* NMS's public key obtained from NMS's certificate
     2. Retrieve Q_C from Cert_C
/* C_i's public key obtained from C_i's certificate */
    3. Retrieve V_{cmsnew} from E(K_{CMS,NMS} : [V_{cmsnew}])
/* Decrypt E(K_{CMS,NMS})

NMS - CMS's shared secret key */

4. Compute Temp_1^{CMS} := V_{cmsnew} \cdot \mathcal{G}

5. Compute Temp_2^{CMS} := \psi_G^{CMS}
                                                                                    : [V_{cmsnew}]) using
                                                                := \quad \psi_{C_i}^2 \quad \cdot \quad \mathcal{G} \quad + \quad Q_{NMS}
 \mathbb{H}_{2}(\mathbb{H}_{1}(SID_{NMS,CMS}))^{i} \\ if(Temp_{1}^{CMS} = Temp_{2}^{CMS}) 
             6. Compute SK := R_{CMS} \cdot \psi^1_{C_i} := R_{CMS} \cdot R_C \cdot \mathcal{G}
7. return Accept //accept C_i and NMS //
           élse
              8. return Reject // reject C_i and NMS //
 \begin{split} {}^{i}\!\psi^{2}_{C_{i}} \cdot \mathcal{G} = \psi^{1}_{C_{i}} \cdot X_{11} + Q_{C} \cdot X_{22}, \text{ where } X_{11} = \mathbb{H}_{2}(\mathbb{H}_{1}(\mathcal{MTU})), \\ X_{22} = \mathbb{H}_{2}(\psi^{1}_{C_{i}}) \text{ and } Q_{C} = S_{C} \cdot \mathcal{G}. \end{split}
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**FIGURE 16.**  $C_i$  and *NMS* verification process at *CMS*.

in Figure 16. If the function  $cnmsVerif(\cdot)$  returns "Accept", then *CMS* construct a session key  $SK_{C,CMS} = R_{CMS} \cdot \psi_{C_i}^1 = R_{CMS} \cdot R_C \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and a message  $MC_4 = \{\mathcal{MTU}, CMS_{ID}, \pi_{CMS}^1, E(PWD^* : [\mathcal{MTU} || V_{cnew}]), Cert_{NMS}, Cert_{CMS}\}$ . *CMS* sends  $MC_4$  to  $C_i$ , and goto Step DKA9; otherwise, it rejects  $C_i$ 's request.

Step DKA9: After getting the message  $MC_4$ ,  $C_i$  verifies both *NMS* and *CMS* utilizing the function *cmnmVerif(·)* (see Figure 17). If the function *cmnmVerif(·)* returns "Accept" then  $C_i$  constructs a session key  $SK_{C,CMS} = R_C \cdot \pi_{CMS}^1 = R_{C_i} \cdot R_{CMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  otherwise; rejects *NMS*'s response.

function cmnmVerif(E(PWD\* : [
$$MTU, V_{cnew}$$
]),  $\pi_{CMS}^1$ ,  
Cert<sub>NMS</sub>, Cert<sub>CMS</sub>)  
{  
Input: Modified and encrypted CMS's partial signature, CMS's  
random  
nonce, NMS's certificate, CMS's certificate  
Output: Accept or Reject  
Domain Parameters:  $\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q$   
Data: PWD\*,  $K_{C,CMS}, NMS_{ID}, MTU, \psi_{C_i}^1$ ,  
 $\psi_{C_i}^2$ , Cert<sub>C</sub>,  $R_C$   
1. Retrieve  $Q_{CMS}$  from Cert<sub>CMS</sub>  
/\* CMS's public key obtained from CMS's certificate  
\*/  
2. Retrieve  $Q_{NMS}$  from Cert<sub>NMS</sub>  
/\* NMS's public key obtained from NMS's certificate  
\*/  
3. Retrieve  $V_{cnew}$  from  $E(PWD^* : [MTU, V_{cnew}])$   
 $using C_i - CMS's shared secret key */
4. Compute Temp_C^C := V_{cnew} \cdot \mathcal{G}$   
5. Compute  $Temp_2^C := Y_{11} \cdot \pi_{CMS}^1 + Y_{22} \cdot Q_{CMS} + Y_{33} \cdot Q_{NMS}$   
j  
if( $Temp_1^C = Temp_2^C$ )  
{  
6. Compute  $SK := R_C \cdot \pi_{CMS}^1 := R_C \cdot R_{CMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$   
7. return Accept //accept CMS and NMS //  
}  
j  
 $if(Temp_1^C = Temp_2^C)$   
{  
6. Compute  $SK := R_C \cdot \pi_{CMS}^1 := R_C \cdot R_{CMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$   
7. return Accept //accept CMS and NMS //  
}  
j  
 $if(T_{MI} = \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(CMS_{ID})), Y_{22} = \mathbb{H}_2(\pi_{CMS}^1)$  and  $Y_{33} = \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(K_{C,CMS}))$ .

FIGURE 17. NMS and CMS verification process in C<sub>i</sub>'s workstation.

After establishment of the dynamic key  $SK_{C,CMS}$  between  $C_i$  and CMS,  $HCA_j$  allows  $C_i$  to move further for requesting service server ticket as follows.

Proof of Correctness: In order to verify the legitimacy of both  $C_i$  and NMS, CMS needs to check  $V_{cmsnew} \cdot \mathcal{G} = \psi_{C_i}^2 \cdot \mathcal{G} + Q_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{NMS,CMS})))$ . To satisfy the verification condition, it must holds  $\psi_{C_i}^2 \cdot \mathcal{G} = \psi_{L_i}^1 \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU})) + Q_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1) = R_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU})) \cdot \mathcal{G} + S_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1) \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and  $Q_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{NMS,CMS})) = S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(SID_{NMS,CMS})))$ .  $\mathcal{G}$ . Similarly, to verify the legitimacy of both NMS and CMS,  $C_i$  needs to verify  $V_{cnew} \cdot \mathcal{G} = Y_{11} \cdot \pi_{CMS}^1 + Y_{22} \cdot Q_{CMS} + Y_{33} \cdot Q_{NMS}$ . To satisfy the condition, it must satisfies  $Y_{11} \cdot \pi_{CMS}^1 = Y_{11} \cdot R_{CMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ ,  $Y_{22} \cdot Q_{CMS} = Y_{22} \cdot S_{CMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and  $Y_{33} \cdot Q_{NMS} = Y_{33} \cdot S_{NMS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ .

# 7) BIG DATA STORAGE SERVICE SERVER TICKET GRANTING

In this process,  $C_i$  requests for a Big Data storage service ticket from *CMS*. Before doing so,  $HCA_j$  provides a drop-down list from which  $C_i$  needs to select a particular Hadoop cluster say  $HC_j$ . After selecting the cluster,  $HCA_j$  automatically choose a Namenode Server  $(NS_j)$  for client  $C_i$ . Finally,  $HCA_j$  initiates the service server ticket granting process. A diagram summarizing the message exchanges between  $C_i$  and *CMS* involved throughout the service ticket granting process is shown in Figure 18, and it contains the following steps:

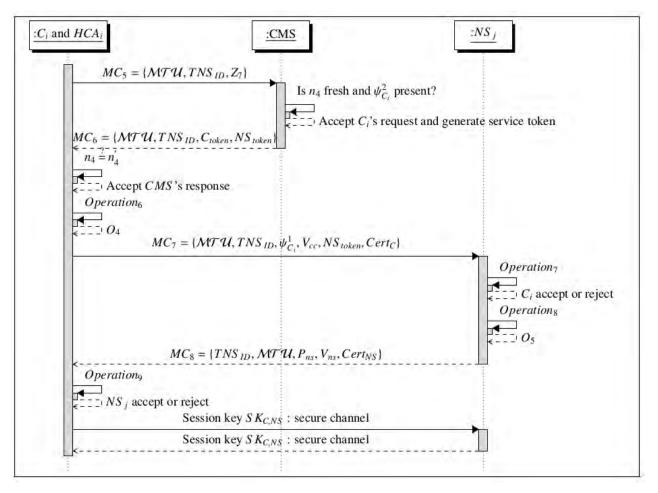
- Step SSTG1:  $HCA_j$  constructs a message  $MC_5 = \{\mathcal{MTU}, TNS_{ID}, E(SK_{C,CMS} : [\mathcal{MTU}, n_4, \psi_{C_i}^2])\}$  into  $C_i$ 's workstation.  $HCA_j$  sends  $MC_5$  to CMS.
- Step SSTG2: After getting  $MC_5$ , CMS checks the presence of both  $\mathcal{MTU}$  and  $\psi_{C_i}^2$  in its system cache. If both exists then CMS constructs two tokens (namely Client Token (CT) and Namenode Server Token (NST)) namely  $CT = C_{token} = E(SK_{(C,CMS)} : [CMS_{ID},$  $TNS_{ID}, OTK_{CMS,C}, n_4])$  and  $NST = NS_{token} = E(K_{CMS,NS} : [CMS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}, OTK_{CMS,NS})$  and goto Step SSTG3. CMS issues a random nonce namely  $OTK_{CMS,C}$  for  $NS_j$  and encapsulate the same into NST wherein CMS computes another random nonce  $OTK_{CMS,C} = h(OTK_{CMS,NS} ||SID_{NS}^{j})$  and enclose it into CT.
- Step SSTG3: *CMS* sends a message as  $MC_6 = \{\mathcal{MTU}, TNS_{ID}, C_{token}, NS_{token}\}$  to  $C_i$  by acknowledging  $C_i$ 's request message  $(MC_5)$  via a public channel.
- Step SSTG4: Upon receiving the message  $MC_6$ ,  $C_i$  checks both nonces (that is  $n_4 \in \{Z_7, C_{token}\}$ ) are equals or not (see Figure 18). If both are equals then  $C_i$  accepts *CMS*'s response else, rejects *CMS*'s response.

Finally, after getting both the tokens (*CT* and *NST*) from *CMS*,  $HCA_j$  initiates a session key agreement process with the Namenode Server (*NS<sub>j</sub>*) followed by a mutual authentication process discussed below.

# 8) SESSION KEY AGREEMENT WITH SERVICE SERVER

After receiving the service server token  $(NS_{token})$  from CMS,  $HCA_j$  initiate a session key agreement between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$ . A diagram summarizing the communication message exchanges between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  involved throughout the session key agreement process is shown in Figure 18, and it contains the following steps:

- Step SKABSSA1:  $HCA_j$  decrypts the  $C_{token}$  and extracts  $OTK_{CMS,C}$ .  $HCA_j$  computes a modified signature pair as  $\{\psi_{C_i}^1, V_{cc}\}$  using  $cModifiedSignature(\cdot)$  function, where  $V_{cc} = R_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1 (\mathcal{MTU} || OTK_{CMS,C}))$   $+S_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1) \pmod{q}$  (see Figure 19) and goto Step SKABSSA2.
- Step SKABSSA2:  $HCA_j$  constructs a message  $MC_7 = \{\mathcal{MTU}, TNS_{ID}, \psi_{C_i}^1, V_{cc}, NS_{token}, Cert_C\}$  and send the same to  $NS_j$  via a public channel.
- Step SKABSSA3: After getting  $MC_7$ ,  $NS_j$  decrypts  $NS_{token}$ and check  $\mathcal{MTU}' \stackrel{?}{=} \mathcal{MTU}$  utilizing *ccmsVerif(·)* function (see Figure 20). If it verifies successfully then  $NS_j$  understands the legitimacy of client  $C_i$ and goto Step SKABSSA4; otherwise, reject  $C_i$ 's request.
- Step SKABSSA4:  $NS_i$  computes  $OTK_{CMS,C} = h(OTK_{CMS,NS}||SID_{NS}^i)$  and verifies the legitimacy of both  $C_i$  and CMS by checking the following condition:  $V_{cc} \cdot \mathcal{G} = \psi_{C_i}^1 \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU} ||OTK_{CMS,C})) + Q_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1)$  (see Figure 20). If the condition is satisfied then  $NS_j$  realizes the legitimacy of client  $C_i$  and computes



**FIGURE 18.** Summary of service ticket granting and session key agreement." Note: Here,  $C_{token} = E(SK_{(C,CMS)} : [CMS_{ID}, TNS_{ID}, OTK_{CMS,C}, n_4])$ ,  $Z_7 = E(SK_{C,CMS} : [\mathcal{MTU}, n_4, \psi_{C_1}^2])$ ,  $NS_{token} = E(K_{CMS,NS} : [CMS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}, OTK_{CMS,NS})$ ,  $OTK_{CMS,C} = h(OTK_{CMS,NS}|| SID_{NS}^{j})$ , Operation<sub>6</sub>, Operation<sub>7</sub>, Operation<sub>8</sub>, and Operation<sub>9</sub>: signifies the execution of the function *cModifiedSignature(·)*, *ccmsVerif(·)*, *nsSigPairGen[](·)* and *nscmsVerif(·)* (refer Figure 19, Figure 20, Figure 21 and Figure 22),  $O_4$  and  $O_5$ : denotes the outcome of *cModifiedSignature(·)* and *nsSigPairGen[](·)* functions and  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$  is a fresh nonce issued by CMS.

```
function cModifiedSignature(OTK<sub>CMS,C</sub>, S<sub>C</sub>)

{

Input: CMS's one-time key, C_i's private key

Output: C_i's modified signature pair

Domain Parameters: \mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q

Data: \psi_{C_i}^1, \psi_{C_i}^2, TNS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}, NS_{token}, Cert_C, R_C

1. Compute V_{cc} := R_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU}||OTK_{CMS,C})) + S_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1) \pmod{q}^k

2. return \psi_{C_i}^1, V_{cc}

}

<sup>k</sup>Note: Here, C_i digitally sign on \mathcal{MTU}, OTK_{CMS,C} and \psi_{C_i}^1

using its private key S_C, where OTK_{CMS,C} = h(OTK_{CMS,NS}||

SID_{NS}^j).
```

### FIGURE 19. Signature updation process at C<sub>i</sub>'s workstation.

a session key  $SK_{C,NS} = h(R_{NS} \cdot \psi_{C_i}^1 || OTK_{CMS,C}) = h(R_{NS} \cdot R_C \cdot \mathcal{G} || OTK_{CMS,C})$ , and goto Step SKABSSA5, else reject  $C_i$ 's request.

Step SKABSSA5:  $NS_j$  computes a signature pair as  $\{P_{ns}, V_{ns}\}$  using  $nsSigPairGen[\ ](\cdot)$  (see Figure 21).  $NS_j$  constructs a message  $MC_8 = \{TNS_{ID}, \mathcal{MTU}, P_{ns}, V_{ns}, Cert_{NS}\}$  and goto Step SKABSSA6.

Step SKABSSA6:  $NS_j$  sends  $MC_8$  to  $C_i$  via a public channel.

Step SKABSSA7: Upon receiving the message  $MC_8$ ,  $C_i$ checks the legitimacy of both  $NS_j$  and CMS by substantiating the following condition:  $V_{ns} \cdot \mathcal{G} =$  $P_{ns} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(TNS_{ID} || OTK_{CMS,C})) + Q_{NS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(P_{ns})$  (see *nscmsVerif*(·) function in Figure 22). If the condition is satisfied then  $C_i$  realizes the legitimacy of both service server  $NS_j$  and CMS, and computes a session key  $SK_{C,NS} = h(R_C \cdot P_{ns}|| OTK_{CMS,C}) = h(R_C \cdot R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G}|| OTK_{CMS,C})$ , and goto Step SKABSSA8, otherwise; reject  $C_i$ 's request.

After establishment of the session key,  $HCA_j$  redirects client  $C_i$  to HDFS Client application instance say  $HDCL_j$  to store (fresh write operation) or append or read Big Data under the supervision of  $NS_j$ . By utilizing the aforesaid process,  $C_i$ could establish a secure channel with  $JT_j$  for processing Big Data.

*Proof of Correctness:* In order to verify the legitimacy of both  $C_i$  and CMS,  $NS_j$  needs to check  $V_{cc} \cdot \mathcal{G} = \psi_{C_i}^1 \cdot$ 

function ccmsVerif( $NS_{token}, \psi_{C_i}^1, V_{cc}, Cert_C$ ) Input: CMS's issued authorization token, Modified signature pair of  $C_i, C_i$ 's certificate **Output:** Accept or Reject **Domain Parameters:**  $\mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q$ **Data:**  $K_{CMS,NS}$ ,  $TNS_{ID}$ ,  $SID_{NS}^{j}$ 1. Retrieve  $Q_C$  from  $Cert_C$   $i^*C_i$ 's public key obtained from  $C_i$ 's certificate \*/ 2. Retrieve  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$  from  $NS_{token}$   $i^*$  Decrypt  $NS_{token}$  using CMS - NS's shared secret key \*/ 3. Compute  $OTK_{CMS,C} := h(OTK_{CMS,NS} || SID_{NS}^{j})$ 4. Compute  $Temp_1^{NS} := V_{cc} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ 5. Compute  $Temp_2^{NS} := \psi_{C_i}^1 \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU}||OTK_{CMS,C})) +$  $Q_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1)$  $if(\mathcal{MTU}' = \mathcal{MTU} \&\& Temp_1^{NS} = Temp_2^{NS})$ 6. Choose a pseudo-random number  $R_{NS} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ 7. Compute  $SK := h(R_{NS} \cdot \psi_{C_i}^1 || OTK_{CMS,C}) := h(R_{NS} \cdot \psi_{C_i}^1 || OTK_{CMS,C})$  $R_C \cdot \mathcal{G} || OTK_{CMS,C})$ 8. return Accept // accept  $C_i$  and CMS // élse 9. return Reject // reject  $C_i$  and CMS //

FIGURE 20. C<sub>i</sub> and CMS verification and key formation at NS<sub>i</sub> server.

```
function nsSigPairGen[ ](TNS<sub>ID</sub>, S<sub>NS</sub>, OTK<sub>CMS,C</sub>)

{

Input: NS<sub>j</sub>'s masked identity, NS<sub>j</sub>'s private key, CMS's issued

random nonce

Output: Two ECC points as P_{ns} and V_{ns}

Domain Parameters: \mathbb{H}_2(\cdot), \mathbb{H}_1(\cdot), \mathcal{G}, q

Data: TNS<sub>ID</sub>, Cert<sub>NS</sub>, R<sub>NS</sub>

1. Compute P_{ns} := R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G}

2. Compute V_{ns} := R_{NS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(TNS_{ID}||OTK_{CMS,C})) + S_{NS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(P_{ns}) \pmod{q}^m

3. return P_{ns}, V_{ns}

}

<sup>m</sup>Here, NS<sub>j</sub> digitally sign on both TNS<sub>ID</sub>, OTK<sub>CMC,C</sub> and P_{ns}
```

### FIGURE 21. Signature pair generation process at NS<sub>i</sub>'s server.

using its private key  $S_{NS}$ .

# **FIGURE 22.** $NS_j$ 's signature verification and key formation at $C_j$ 's workstation.

 $\mathbb{H}_{2}(\mathbb{H}_{1}(\mathcal{MTU} || OTK_{CMS,C})) + Q_{C} \cdot \mathbb{H}_{2}(\psi_{C_{i}}^{1}). \text{ To satisfy the verification condition, it must holds } \psi_{C_{i}}^{1} = R_{C} \cdot \mathcal{G} \text{ and } Q_{C} = S_{C} \cdot \mathcal{G}. \text{ Similarly, to verify the legitimacy of both } NS_{i}$ 

and *CMS*,  $C_i$  needs to verify  $V_{ns} \cdot \mathcal{G} = P_{ns} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(TNS_{ID}|| OTK_{CMS,C})) + Q_{NS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(P_{ns})$ . To satisfy the condition, it must satisfies  $P_{ns} = R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and  $Q_{NS} = S_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ .

# 9) SECURE AND INTEGRITY-ASSISTED WRITE OR APPEND OPERATION IN HDFS

Suppose  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  are having the session key  $SK_{C,NS}$  between themselves. Now, say for instance,  $C_i$  has four files (say  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  and  $f_4$ ) and each file is having 250 GB (gigabytes) data.  $C_i$  wants to import these files from other external sources into HDFS, and it needs to create a Big File say  $F_1$  with the file size of 1 TB (terabytes). According to the policy of HDFS, the file  $F_1$  should go through the HDFS-Write task (see the basic HDFS-Write operation in Figure 23).

In this regard,  $NS_j$  assigns several chunk servers or Datanodes to HDFS Client ( $HDCL_j$ ) for data streaming via secure channel. In such a provision,  $HDCL_j$  divides the file  $F_1$  into  $\frac{1024 \times 1024 \ MB}{64 \ MB} = 16384$  number of blocks and write these blocks into several Datanodes along with the replicas (two replicas for each block). Before writing each block ( $i^{th}$  block) including its replica into the chunk servers,  $HDCL_j$  computes  $HMAC_{BLID}^i = h_{(K_{NMS,C})}(C_{ID}||BL_{ID}^i||h(BL_{data}^i))$  of  $i^{th}$  block, where  $BL_{ID}^i$  represents the identity of  $i^{th}$  block and  $BL_{data}^i$ denotes the data content (64 MB data) of the  $i^{th}$  block.  $HDCL_j$ then stores both the  $i^{th}$  block and  $HMAC_{BLID}^i$  to the respective chunk server for future activities (namely integrity-assisted read and processing the Big Data).

If client  $C_i$  needs to append additional data in the existing file  $F_1$  in the near future, he needs to follow the similar strategy as write operation as discussed above.

### 10) SECURE INTEGRITY-ASSISTED READ IN HDFS

In this phase,  $C_i$  wants to read his previously archived Big Data (here the file  $F_1$ ) from HDFS. The basic work-flow of HDFS-Read operation is shown in Figure 24. According to the policy of HDFS, after getting the block locations from  $NS_i$  via a secure channel followed by a session key  $(SK_{C,NS})$  establishment process,  $C_i$  can directly read the blocks from the chunk servers or Datanode servers through *HDCL<sub>i</sub>*. Suppose  $C_i$  needs to read the  $i^{th}$  block of the file  $F_1$ . In this connection,  $HDCL_i$  loads the same block and computes  $HMAC_{BL_{ID}}^{i'} = h_{(K_{NMS,C})}(C_{ID}||BL_{ID}^{i}||h(BL_{data}^{i'}))$ . After that,  $HDCL_j$  verifies that  $HMAC_{BL_{ID}}^{i'} \stackrel{?}{=} HMAC_{BL_{ID}}^{i}$ . If the condition is satisfied then  $C_i$  realizes the data integrity of *i*<sup>th</sup> block. Similarly, after verifying the data integrity of all the blocks belongs to  $F_1$  (here,  $F_1$  consists of 16384 blocks),  $C_i$  set a boolean variable as flag = "true" which indicates that the file  $F_1$  is not being modified by any attackers or insiders (more precisely, the data integrity of file  $F_1$  has been preserved), otherwise;  $C_i$  set the flag = "false". If the flagvariable returns false for any  $j^{th}$  block then  $C_i$  goes through the service provider's Service Level Agreement (SLA) and takes proper action, else  $C_i$  outsources map-reduce code [76] and *flag* to  $JT_i$  for Big Data processing as follows.

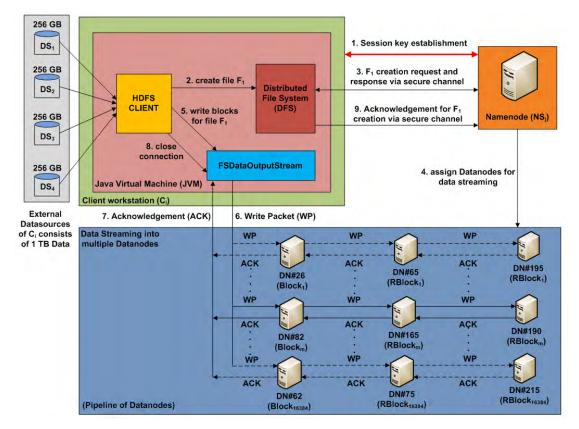


FIGURE 23. Summary of HDFS-Write operation.

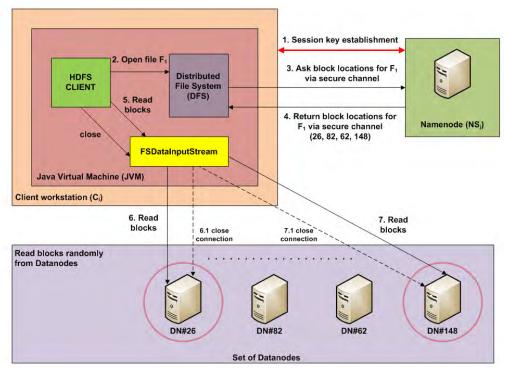


FIGURE 24. Summary of HDFS-Read operation.

11) SECURE BIG DATA PROCESSING USING MAPREDUCE At the beginning of this phase,  $C_i$  establishes a session key (say  $SK_{C,JT}$ ) with  $JT_i$  followed by a mutual authentication and key agreement process (see Sec. V-D.8). After the key formation,  $C_i$  sends the map-reduce code [76] and the *flag* to  $JT_j$  via secure channel. After getting these information,

 $JT_j$  assigns different Task Trackers (TTs) or Datanodes to execute the map-reduce code for different blocks of  $C_i$ 's file (say  $F_1$ ). After successful execution of the code,  $JT_j$  stores the result into  $C_i$ 's local filesystem in encrypted format utilizing the key  $SK_{C,JT}$ .

### 12) PASSWORD CHANGE PHASE

This section discuss about the password updation process of client  $C_i$  and *BDSP*'s administrator. Assume, the client  $C_i$  needs to change his password for security reasons. To do this, the following steps need to be executed. Note here, after the execution of user login phase (refer Sec. V-D.5), *HCA<sub>j</sub>* has the following information:  $R_{C_i}^{CMS^*} = R_{C_i}^{CMS} \oplus h(r_i ||PWD)$ ,  $\mathcal{MTU} = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID}||R_{C_i}^{CMS})$ ,  $r_i^* = r_i \oplus h(C_{ID} ||PWD)$ ,  $K_{(NMS,C)}^* = K_{(NMS,C)} \oplus h(PWD ||R_{C_i}^{CMS})$  and  $USPW_i = h(C_{ID} ||HCA_{ID} ||PWD ||r_i)$ .

- Step PCP1:  $C_i$  enters his identity  $C_{ID}$  and old password  $P^{old}$  into  $HCA_i$  and goto Step PCP2.
- Step PCP2:  $HCA_j$  locally verifies the condition  $UPW'_i \stackrel{?}{=} USPW_i$ , where  $UPW'_i = h(C_{ID} || HCA_{ID} || P^{old} || r_i)$  and  $r_i = r_i^* \oplus h(C_{ID} || PWD^{old})$ . If the condition is satisfied then  $HCA_j$  asks  $C_i$  to enter his updated password and goto Step PCP3, otherwise; re-enter the user id. and password again in  $HCA_j$ .
- Step PCP3:  $C_i$  enters a new password  $P^{new}$  into  $HCA_j$ .  $HCA_j$  selects a random number  $r_i^{new}$  and computes  $P^{new^j} = h(h(r_i^{new} || P^{new}) || R_{C_i}^{CMS})$ , where  $R_{C_i}^{CMS} = R_{C_i}^{CMS^*}$  $\oplus h(r_i || PWD)$ , and goto Step PCP4.
- Step PCP4:  $HCA_j$  computes  $\mathcal{U}'_{Dtl} = E(K_{(NMS,C)} : [P^{new'}, \mathcal{MTU}])$  where  $K_{(NMS,C)} = K^*_{(NMS,C)} \oplus h(PWD || R^{CMS}_{C_i})$ .  $HCA_j$  select a random nonce  $n_5$  and constructs a password update message as Pwd\_chg\_msg = { $CMS_{ID}$ ,  $\mathcal{MTU}, n_5, \mathcal{U}'_{Dtl}$ } (it is similar as the message  $msg_{C5}$  shown in Figure 11) and goto Step PCP5.
- Step PCP5: *HCA<sub>i</sub>* sends Pwd\_chg\_msg to *CMS*.
- Step PCP6: After getting Pwd\_chg\_msg, *CMS* checks  $\mathcal{MTU}$  is an existing user or not. If user presents then goto Step PCP7, otherwise; reject  $C_i$ 's password change request.
- Step PCP7: *CMS* broadcasts both  $\mathcal{MTU}$  and  $\mathcal{U}'_{Dtl}$  (similar as the message  $msg_{C5.1}$  shown in Figure 11) to *ES* and *NMS*. After decrypting  $\mathcal{U}'_{Dtl}$ , both *ES* and *NMS* updates their user databases and broadcasts their acknowledgement messages (same as the message  $msg_{C5.2}$  shown in Figure 11) to *CMS*. Thereafter, *CMS* sends a response message (similar as the message  $msg_{C6}$  shown in Figure 11) to *C<sub>i</sub>* about the confirmation of password updation request.
- Step PCP8: After getting the response message from *CMS*,  $HCA_j$  computes  $r_i^{new^*} = r_i^{new} \oplus h(C_{ID} || P^{new}), K_{(NMS,C)}^{new*}$   $= K_{(NMS,C)} \oplus h(P^{new} || R_{C_i}^{CMS})$  and  $USPW_i^{new} = h(C_{ID} || HCA_{ID} || P^{new} || r_i^{new})$ , respectively and stores them in its database for future use.

Note that using the aforesaid mechanism, *BDSP*'s administrator (*BA*) can update its password for security reasons utilizing

both *NMS* and *ES* servers and the service provider application  $HSA_k$ .

*Remark 3:* In order to prevent replay attack between  $C_i$ and  $NS_j$ ,  $NS_j$  can temporarily keep  $\psi_{C_i}^1$  and  $V_{cc}$  in its system cache. The similar mechanism has been reported in [18] and [10] can be applied for the replay attack protection. Suppose a similar message  $MC'_7 = \{MTU, TNS_{ID}, \psi_{C_i}^{1'}, V'_{cc}, NS_{token}, Cert_C\}$  has been received by  $NS_j$ .  $NS_j$  first checks  $\psi_{C_i}^{1'} = \psi_{C_i}^1$  and  $V'_{cc} = V_{cc}$ . If both the conditions are satisfied successfully then  $NS_j$  treats the message  $MC'_7$  as replay message, otherwise;  $NS_j$  treats the message  $MC'_7$  is fresh and  $NS_j$  updates  $\psi_{C_i}^1$  and  $V_{cc}$  with  $\psi_{C_i}^{1'}$  and  $V'_{cc}$  in its system cache. In a similar way, the same procedure can be applied for other phases to protect replay attack.

*Remark 4:* To proof the proposed HEAP-KDC is fault-tolerant in terms of secret credentials storage, we distribute the credentials of clients  $(C_i)$ , service provider (BDSP) and service servers  $(NS_j \text{ and } JT_j)$  among different servers in the following settings:

- 1) *CMS*: It is permissible to store the masked identities ( $\mathcal{MTU}$ 's,  $TNS_{ID}$ s and  $TJT_{ID}$ s), masked passwords ( $SID_{NS}^{j}$ s,  $SID_{JT}^{j}$ s and  $BDSP_{PWD}^{*}$ s), pass-phrases ( $K_{CMS,BDSP}$ s) secret keys ( $K_{CMS,BDSP}$ s,  $K_{CMS,NS}$ s,  $K_{CMS,JT}$ s) of service providers and service servers, the dictionary of password transformation parameters of clients ( $R_{Ci}^{CMS}$ s), and the masked identities of clients ( $\mathcal{MTU}$ s), respectively.
- 2) *NMS*: This server keeps the masked identities, pass-phrases and passwords of clients ( $\mathcal{MTUs}$ ,  $K_{NMS,Cs}$  and  $PWD^*$ ), and the dictionary of password transformation parameters of both service providers and service servers ( $R_{BDSP}^{NMS}$ ,  $R_{NS_j}^{NMS}$  s and  $R_{JT_j}^{NMS}$ ), respectively.
- 3) *ES*: It keeps all the secret credentials of both *CMS* and *NMS* servers. In fact, at the time of online registration process, both *CMS* and *NMS* send their principal's secret credentials to *ES*. Note here, *ES* is a fully trusted server since it is not reachable online to any other principals (except *CMS* and *NMS*) including adversaries at the time of authentication process.

In such a settings, if *CMS* (or *NMS*) fails due to some hardware failure and the server data is totally lost then it could be rebuild from *ES* server. Similarly, if *ES* server fails then the entire legacy data can be extracted from both *CMS* and *NMS* servers to renovate a new *ES*. Thus, we can remark that for the current settings of HEAP-KDC, the proposed authentication framework is more dependable and fault-tolerant.

*Remark 5:* At the time of mutual authentication and single sign-on process between  $C_i$  and CMS, suppose any one of the random nonce  $R_C$  or  $R_{CMS}$  is known to the adversary Adv. In this connection it is obvious that Adv can compute  $R_C \cdot \pi^1_{CMS}$  or  $R_{CMS} \cdot \psi^1_{C_i}$ , respectively. In such a provision, to protect known session-specific temporary information attacks from Adv both  $C_i$  and CMS can compute the session key as  $SK_{C,CMS} = h(R_C \cdot \pi^1_{CMS} || R_{C_i}^{CMS}) = h(R_{CMS} \cdot \psi^1_{C_i} || R_{C_i}^{CMS}).$  Therefore, the adversary Adv requires the knowledge of  $R_{Ci}^{CMS}$  to compute the actual session key between  $C_i$  and CMS. In the same way, BDSP and NMS can compute the sesseion key  $SK_{BDSP,NMS}$  utilizing  $R_{BDSP}^{NMS}$ .

### **VI. SECURITY ANALYSIS**

To prove that the proposed protocol (HEAP) is provably secure, we analyze the security of HEAP by utilizing both formal and informal security analysis. Further, to pursue the security analysis, we also use the proposed threat model as discussed in Section V-B.

### A. FORMAL SECURITY ANALYSIS USING ROR MODEL

In order to present formal security analysis of HEAP in detail, we first discuss few terminologies of the widely-used Real-Or-Random (ROR) model [77]. Thereafter, utilizing the same model we substantiate that the proposed protocol (HEAP) provides the session-key (SK) security against an adversary Adv in Theorem 1.

### 1) ROR MODEL

In HEAP, we have four entities, namely, user  $C_i$ , CMS, NMS and NS<sub>j</sub> (or Big Data processing service server  $JT_j$ ). The following attributes are involved in the ROR model.

### a: PARTICIPANTS

Suppose  $\Gamma_{C_i}^s$ ,  $\Gamma_{CMS}^t$ ,  $\Gamma_{NMS}^u$  and  $\Gamma_{NS_j}^v$  (or  $\Gamma_{JT_j}^w$ ) are the instances s, t, u and v (or w) of the principals  $C_i$ , CMS, NMS and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ), respectively. These instances are also coined as the oracles.

### b: ACCEPTED STATE

An instance, say  $\Gamma^s$  is said to be in accepted state, if it reaches to an accept state after receiving the last protocol message. The session identification (*sid*) is constructed by concatenating all the communicated messages (sent and received messages) of the  $\Gamma^s$  for the current executing session.

### c: PARTNERING

We say two instances  $\Gamma^s$  and  $\Gamma^t$  are partnered to each other if the following three conditions are satisfied simultaneously: 1) both  $\Gamma^s$  and  $\Gamma^t$  are in accept state, 2) both  $\Gamma^s$  and  $\Gamma^t$ mutually authenticate each other and also share the same *sid*, and 3) both  $\Gamma^s$  and  $\Gamma^t$  are mutual partners of each other.

### d: FRESHNESS

If the established session key *SK* between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or between  $C_i$  and  $JT_j$ ) is not disclosed using the following *Reveal*( $\Gamma^s$ ) query,  $\Gamma_{C_i}^s$  or  $\Gamma_{NS_i}^v$  (or  $\Gamma_{JT_i}^w$ ) is said to be fresh.

### e: ADVERSARY

In ROR assumptions, all the message communications can be supervised by Adv including eavesdropping, modifying, deleting, and inserting transmitted messages. In addition, Adv can have the access of the following queries [78]:

- 1) *Execute*( $\Gamma^s$ ,  $\Gamma^v$ ) A *passive attack* is modeled utilizing this query wherein Adv can have access to the transmitted messages between two legitimate parties.
- 2) Send( $\Gamma^s$ , M) This query is modeled as an *active attack*, wherein a message, say M can be transmitted to a participant instance, say  $\Gamma^s$  and also receives a response message.
- 3) Reveal( $\Gamma^s$ ) An adversary Adv discloses the current session key *SK* of  $\Gamma^s$  (and its partner) utilizing this query.
- 4) CorruptSmartWorkstation( $\Gamma_{SW_i}^s$ ) This query represents an active attack wherein HEAP-KDC's authentication token ( $Z'_4$ ) and  $C_i$ 's authorization tokens ( $C_{token}$  and  $NS_{token}$ ) are leaked to the adversary Adv by compromising  $C_i$ 's workstation. These information leakage is modeled using this query to check the security of the proposed protocol. It is reported in [61] that *CorruptSmartWorkstation*( $\cdot$ ) query fortifies the weak-corruption model, where the temporary keys and internal credentials related to the participant instances are not corrupted.
- 5) *Test*( $\Gamma^s$ ) Applying this query, the semantic security of the session key *SK* is being modeled adopting the indistinguishability in ROR [77]. Before starting the experiment, an unbiased coin *cn* needs to be flipped and its result is only known to *Adv*. This result decides the output of the *Test* query. If *Adv* executes this query, and also *SK* is fresh,  $\Gamma^s$  outputs *SK* when cn = 1 or a random number in the same domain when cn = 0; otherwise, it will produce the output as a null value ( $\bot$ ).

### f: SEMANTIC SECURITY OF SESSION KEY

Under the ROR assumptions, Adv needs to apprehend a participant instance's real session key from a random key. To achieve this purpose, Adv can execute several *Test* queries against either  $\Gamma_{C_i}^s$  or  $\Gamma_{NS_j}^v$  (or  $\Gamma_{JT_j}^w$ ). At the end of this experiment, Adv guesses a bit cn', and he or she wins the game if cn' = cn. Assume S is an event that Adv can win the game, Adv's advantage in breaking the semantic security of the proposed protocol (HEAP) is denoted and defined by  $Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} = |2 \cdot Pr[S] - 1|$ . If  $Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} \leq \epsilon$ , for a sufficiently small  $\epsilon > 0$ , we say HEAP provides SK-security.

### g: RANDOM ORACLE

Let us assume that the cryptographic one-way hash function  $h(\cdot)$  is available to all the entities including Adv. We model  $h(\cdot)$  by a random oracle, say  $\mathcal{H}$  [10], [78].

### 2) SECURITY PROOF

Theorem 1 substantiates the semantic security of the proposed protocol (HEAP) under ROR model.

Theorem 1: Let  $\mathcal{A}dv$  be an adversary running in polynomial time *t* against the proposed authentication protocol, *HEAP* in the ROR model, and  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $q_h$ ,  $q_s$ ,  $|\mathcal{H}|$ ,  $|\mathcal{D}|$ ,  $Adv_{\mathcal{A}dv}^{ECDDHP}(t)$  and  $Adv_{\mathcal{E}}^{IND-CPA}(k)$  denote the uniformly

distributed password dictionary, the number of *hash* queries, *Send*(·) queries, the range space of *h*(·), the length of  $\mathcal{D}$ , the advantage of  $\mathcal{A}dv$  in breaking ECDDHP and the advantage of  $\mathcal{A}dv$  in breaking the IND-CPA secure symmetric cipher  $\mathcal{E}$  (provided in Definition 1), respectively, and  $Adv_{\mathcal{E},SGL}^{IND-CPA}(K) = \mathcal{A}dv_{\mathcal{E},SGL}^{IND-CPA}(K)$  or  $\mathcal{A}dv_{\mathcal{E},MEL}^{IND-CPA}(K)$ . Then,  $\mathcal{A}dv$ 's advantage in breaking the semantic security of HEAP can be estimated as

$$Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} \leq \frac{q_h^2}{|\mathcal{H}|} + 2\Big(\frac{q_s}{|\mathcal{D}|} + Adv_{\mathcal{A}dv}^{ECDDHP}(t) + Adv_{\mathcal{E}}^{IND-CPA}(K)\Big).$$

*Proof:* In order to proof the above theorem, we go through a sequence of six games, say  $\mathcal{GM}_j$  (j = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) as in [19] and [78]. Let the initial game be  $\mathcal{GM}_0$  and the final game be  $\mathcal{GM}_5$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{S}_i$  represents as an event wherein  $\mathcal{A}dv$  can successfully guess the bit cn in the *Test*( $\cdot$ ) query with respect to the game  $\mathcal{GM}_j$ . All the games are outlined as follows.

Game GM<sub>0</sub>: This is the initial game where the adversary Adv incorporates a real attack against HEAP under ROR model. Before starting of the game GM<sub>0</sub>, Adv chooses a bit cn. Under the ROR assumptions, the initial game GM<sub>0</sub> and the actual protocol are identical to each other. Hence, it follows that

$$Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} = |2 \cdot Pr[\mathcal{S}_0] - 1|. \tag{1}$$

• Game  $\mathcal{GM}_1$ : In this game,  $\mathcal{A}dv$  performs the eavesdropping attacks by running the *Execute*( $\cdot$ ) query. Finally, at the end of this game, Adv needs to call the  $Test(\cdot)$ query. The result of the  $Test(\cdot)$  query determines whether Adv obtains the real session key SK or a random number. In HEAP, the session key between  $C_i$  and  $NS_i$  is computed as  $SK_{C,NS} = h(R_C \cdot P_{ns} || OTK_{CMS,C}) =$  $h(R_C \cdot R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G} || OTK_{CMS,C})$ . Therefore, to reveal the session key  $SK_{C,NS}$ , Adv needs the knowledge about two random secrets  $R_C$  and  $R_{NS}$ . Since we encapsulated these two secrets inside the exchanged messages (see  $MC_7$  and  $MC_8$  in Section V-D.8) indirectly, eavesdropping attacks against these messages are not beneficial to determine  $SK_{C,NS}$ . Therefore, the probability of winning  $\mathcal{GM}_1$  by incorporating eavesdropping attacks by  $\mathcal{A}dv$  is negligible. As a result, we say that both the games  $\mathcal{GM}_0$ and  $\mathcal{GM}_1$  are indistinguishable. Thus, we infer that

$$Pr[\mathcal{S}_1] = Pr[\mathcal{S}_0]. \tag{2}$$

• Game  $\mathcal{GM}_2$ : We include the simulation of both  $Send(\cdot)$ and  $\mathcal{H}(\cdot)$  queries into this game and transform the game  $\mathcal{GM}_1$  to the game  $\mathcal{GM}_2$ . This game is also modeled as an active attack. In this game,  $\mathcal{A}dv$  eavesdrops all the exchanged messages ( $MC_1, MC_2, \cdots, MC_8$ ). According to the policy of HEAP, we appended a random nonce with each communicating message (send and receive) so that there will be no collision of hash outputs when  $\mathcal{A}dv$  simulates it utilizing the  $Send(\cdot)$  query. Thus, the birthday paradox results in the following inequality:

$$|Pr[\mathcal{S}_2] - Pr[\mathcal{S}_1]| \le \frac{q_h^2}{2|\mathcal{H}|}.$$
(3)

• Game  $\mathcal{GM}_3$ : This game is modeled as an active attack wherein Adv tries to compute the current session key  $SK_{C,NS}$  between  $C_i$  and  $NS_i$  by obtaining the other credentials (specifically,  $V_{cnew}$  and  $\mathcal{MTU}$ ) from the guessed password (*PWD*) of  $C_i$  and the game  $\mathcal{GM}_2$  is transformed into the game  $\mathcal{GM}_3$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{A}dv$  eavesdrops all the exchanged messages  $MC_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, 8$ ) of the current session. We utilize  $C_i$ 's transformed password  $(PWD^* = h(h(r_i|| PWD)|| R_{C_i}^{CMS}))$  only in order to encrypt the CMS's identifier (i.e.,  $V_{cnew}$ ) during the single sign-on and session key establishment process, but Adv does not have any provisions to check the transformed password of  $C_i$  directly on the server-sides (both CMS and NS<sub>i</sub>). Therefore, even if Adv guesses  $C_i$ 's password, but he or she has no scope to verify it on the server-side. Moreover, to reveal the actual password (PWD) of  $C_i$  correctly from client-end, Adv requires the knowledge about  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  and  $r_i$ . In fact, if the authentication system has a provision to check the limited number of incorrect passwords as inputs, we have the following result:

$$|Pr[\mathcal{S}_3] - Pr[\mathcal{S}_2]| \le \frac{q_s}{|\mathcal{D}|}.$$
(4)

• Game  $\mathcal{GM}_4$ : This game is imitated as an active attack and the game  $\mathcal{GM}_3$  is transformed into the game  $\mathcal{GM}_4$ . In this game,  $\mathcal{A}dv$  tries to compute the session key  $SK_{C,NS}$  by utilizing both the public information ( $\psi_{C_i}^1 = R_C \cdot \mathcal{G}$  and  $P_{ns} = R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$ ) of  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  and previously eavesdropped messages from the aforesaid discussed games. Since both  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  can compute the session key as  $SK_{C,NS} = h(R_C \cdot P_{ns} || OTK_{CMS,C}) = h(R_C \cdot R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G})$  $|| OTK_{CMS,C})$  by utilizing CMS server, it is obvious that having the knowledge about  $\psi_{C_i}^1$  and  $P_{ns}$ , it is computationally hard to derive  $SK_{C,NS}$  due to the difficulty of solving ECDDHP (see Section IV). Therefore, it follows that

$$|Pr[\mathcal{S}_4] - Pr[\mathcal{S}_3]| \le Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{ECDDHP}(t).$$
(5)

• Game  $\mathcal{GM}_5$ : This is the final game and it is modeled as an active attack, and the game  $\mathcal{GM}_4$  is transformed into the final game  $\mathcal{GM}_5$ . In this game,  $\mathcal{A}dv$  compromises the  $C_i$ 's workstation and tries to compute the session key  $SK_{C,NS}$  by stealing the session temporal secrets, such as  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$  and  $OTK_{CMS,C} = h(OTK_{CMS,NS}||$  $SID_{NS}^j$ ) from  $NS_{token}$  and  $C_{token}$ , respectively. But, in the proposed protocol, for encryption or decryption we use IND-CPA secure symmetric cipher, such as stateless CBC mode of AES analogy. Therefore,  $\mathcal{A}dv$  requires the knowledge about  $SK_{C,CMS}$  and  $SID_{NS}^j$  to decrypt both  $NS_{token}$  and  $C_{token}$  to get the parameters  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$  and  $OTK_{CMS,C}$ . Thus, it follows that

$$|Pr[\mathcal{S}_5] - Pr[\mathcal{S}_4]| \le Adv_{\mathcal{E}}^{IND-CPA}(K).$$
(6)

Since all the queries are successfully simulated in the final game  $\mathcal{GM}_5$ ,  $\mathcal{A}dv$  is left with only guessing the bit *cn* for winning the game after the  $Test(\cdot)$  query. Then, we have,

$$Pr[\mathcal{S}_5] = \frac{1}{2}.\tag{7}$$

From Eqs. (1) and (2), we have,

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} = |Pr[\mathcal{S}_0] - \frac{1}{2}|$$
$$= |Pr[\mathcal{S}_1] - \frac{1}{2}|. \tag{8}$$

From Eqs. (7) and (8), we have,

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} = |Pr[\mathcal{S}_1] - Pr[\mathcal{S}_5]|.$$
(9)

According to the triangular inequality, we get the following:

 $\begin{aligned} |Pr[S_1] - Pr[S_5]| &\leq |Pr[S_1] - Pr[S_2]| + |Pr[S_2] - \\ Pr[S_5]| &\leq |Pr[S_1] - Pr[S_2]| + |Pr[S_2] - Pr[S_3]| \\ + |Pr[S_3] - Pr[S_4]| + |Pr[S_4] - Pr[S_5]|. \end{aligned}$ Now from Eqs. (3), (4), (5) and (6), we get,

$$|Pr[S_1] - Pr[S_5]| \leq \frac{q_h^2}{2|\mathcal{H}|} + \frac{q_s}{|\mathcal{D}|} + Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{ECDDHP}(t) + Adv_{\mathcal{E}}^{IND-CPA}(K).$$
(10)

Thus, Eqs. (9) and (10) produce the following result:

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} = |Pr[S_1] - Pr[S_5]|$$

$$\leq \frac{q_h^2}{2|\mathcal{H}|} + \frac{q_s}{|\mathcal{D}|}$$

$$+ Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{ECDDHP}(t)$$

$$+ Adv_{\mathcal{E}}^{IND-CPA}(K). \quad (11)$$

Finally, after multiplying both sides of the above equation (Eq. 11) by a factor of 2, we get the required result as follows:

$$Adv_{HEAP}^{AKE} \leq \frac{q_h^2}{|\mathcal{H}|} + 2\left(\frac{q_s}{|\mathcal{D}|} + Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{ECDDHP}(t) + Adv_{\mathcal{E}}^{IND-CPA}(K)\right).$$

### **B. INFORMAL SECURITY ANALYSIS**

This section presents an informal security inspection of the proposed protocol (HEAP) and shows it is resilient against various other well-known attacks. This discussion are represented in the following propositions.

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*Proposition 1:* HEAP is resilient against the privilegedinsider attacks.

*Proof:* According to the policy of the proposed protocol, during user enrollment task  $HCA_j$  asks  $C_i$  to give his or her user identity  $C_{ID}$  and password PWD. After getting these parameters,  $HCA_j$  transforms  $C_i$ 's identity and password as  $\mathcal{MTU} = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID}||R_{C_i}^{CMS})$  and  $PWD^* =$  $h(h(PWD||r_i)||R_{C_i}^{CMS})$ .  $HCA_j$  encrypts both these transformed parameters and construct a message as  $ms_{gC5} = \{CMS_{ID},$  $\mathcal{MTU}, n_2, E(K_{(NMS,C)}) : [PWD^*, \mathcal{MTU}, MBNO_C])\}$ .  $HCA_j$ then sends the message to the CMS.

Let a privileged-insider user of the *CMS*, being an adversary  $\mathcal{A}dv$ , receives the message  $msg_{C5}$  and tries to extract the original identity of  $C_i$  from  $\mathcal{MTU}$ . Even if  $\mathcal{A}dv$  is having the knowledge about  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  and  $HCA_{ID}$ , but it is still not sufficient for  $\mathcal{A}dv$  to trace  $C_i$ 's actual identity without having the value of  $r_i$ . *CMS* can not decrypt the masked password  $PWD^* = h(h(PWD)||r_i)||R_{C_i}^{CMS})$  because it does not have the key  $K_{NMS,C}$ . Further, suppose a privileged-insider user of the *NMS* or *ES*, being an adversary  $\mathcal{A}dv$ , gets the transformed identity and the password of  $C_i$ . But, the adversary  $\mathcal{A}dv$  can not disclose the original identity of  $C_i$  due to the lack of knowledge about  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  and  $r_i$ . In the same way,  $\mathcal{A}dv$  can not extract  $C_i$ 's original password. Thus, the proposed protocol HEAP can protect the privileged-insider attacks.

*Proposition 2:* HEAP protects  $C_i$ 's private information against workstation compromise attacks.

*Proof:* Let an adversary Adv controls  $C_i$ 's workstation after successful accomplishment of  $C_i$ 's  $t^{th}$  session say  $S_t$ . In such a provision, Adv captures MTU,  $C_{token}$ ,  $NS_{token}$ ,  $\psi_{C_i}^1$ ,  $\psi_{C_i}^2$ ,  $V_{cc}$ ,  $P_{ns}$ ,  $V_{ns}$ ,  $Z'_4$  and  $TNS_{ID}$  parameters from workstation credential cache. After gaining the knowledge about these parameters, Adv can not derive the future session key between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  say  $SK_{C,NS} = h(R_C^{new} \cdot P_{ns}^{new} || OTK_{CMS,C}^{new}) = h(R_{NS}^{new} + \psi_{C_i}^{1new} || OTK_{CMS,C}^{new})$ . Because, for the future session say  $S_{t+1}$ ,  $C_i$  chooses a fresh pseudo-random number say  $R_C^{new} \neq R_C$  and  $NS_j$  selects a fresh pseudo-random number say  $R_{NS}^{new} \neq R_{NS}$ , and CMS chooses a fresh nonce say  $OTK_{CMS,C}^{new} \neq OTK_{CMS,C}^{old}$  to construct  $C_{token}^{new} \neq C_{token}^{old}$ . Since the adversary Adv does not have any knowledge about  $R_C^{new}$ ,  $R_{NS}^{new}$  and  $OTK_{CMS,C}^{new}$  parameters for the session say  $S_{t+1}$  then it is hard to compute the future session key.

Additionally, some information related to  $C_i$  namely  $\mathcal{EI}$ ,  $r_i$ ,  $K_{NMS,C}$  and  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  are stored into the workstation for verifying  $C_i$ 's legitimacy at the time of user login and password change phase. This parameters are stored either in encrypted format or in a transformed manner using one way hash function. Therefore, without having the knowledge about the keys and breaking the hardness property of cryptographic one-way hash function, it is impossible to get the parameters. Thus, we can remark that the proposed protocol protects disclosure of  $C_i$ 's confidential information through workstation compromise attacks. *Proposition 3:* HEAP is resilient against denial-of-service attacks.

*Proof:* In order to achieve user (or service provider) login, HEAP utilizes workstation-based authentication mechanism without involving the HEAP-KDC. In this connection,  $C_i$  enters his identity ( $C_{ID}$ ) and password (*PWD*) to *HCA<sub>i</sub>*. To verify the current user  $C_i$ ,  $HCA_i$  computes  $\mathcal{EI}' = h(C_{ID})$ *PWD*) and check it with  $\mathcal{EI}$  in its cookie. If both matches then  $HCA_j$  load  $r_i^* = r_i \oplus h(C_{ID} || PWD), R_{C_i}^{CMS^*} = R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  $\oplus h(r_i || PWD)$  and  $USPW_i = h(C_{ID} || HCA_{ID} || PWD || r_i)$ from its database into  $C_i$ 's workstation.  $HCA_i$  then computes  $R_{C_i}^{CMS} = R_{C_i}^{CMS^*} \oplus \oplus h(r_i || PWD), r_i = r_i^* \oplus h(C_{ID} || PWD)$ and  $USPW_i^* = h(C_{ID} || HCA_{ID} || PWD || r_i)$ . After that,  $HCA_i$  verifies the condition  $USPW_i^* \stackrel{?}{=} USPW_i$ . If it holds then  $HCA_i$  accepts  $C_i$ ; otherwise,  $HSA_i$  treats  $C_i$  as illegitimate user. As the first step verification has done only on the client-side and HEAP-KDC does not involve into this process then we say that HEAP can resists server-side denialof-service attacks.

*Proposition 4:* HEAP provides privacy preserving data integrity in Hadoop.

*Proof:* Form Proposition 8 and Assrt. 9, it is obvious that both  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ) preserve their identities during session key establishment and Big Data service access task. Further, from Section V-D.9 and Section V-D.10, it could also be observe that HEAP stores (writes or appends)  $C_i$ 's raw datablocks into several chunk servers (HDFS). During this process, HEAP computes a hashed MAC (HMAC) of each datablock and stores the HMAC along with the raw datablock into Datanode servers.

Suppose an adversary Adv or a malicious insiders change the content of the raw datablock. In such a provision, if  $C_i$ processes his Big Data (basically the intercepted and modified data content) utilizing MapReduce framework then he will not get the desired result. To overcome this problem, in our proposed protocol, at the time of auditing or reading the datablock,  $C_i$  would be able to check the integrity of each datablock utilizing his secret key ( $K_{NMS,C}$ ) and HMAC. After checking the integrity of each datablocks,  $C_i$  is permissible to process the Big Data utilizing  $JT_j$  and it will lead  $C_i$  to get the desired output.

*Proposition 5:* HEAP is resilient against known session-specific temporary information attacks.

*Proof:* During the session key establishment process between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ), suppose any one of the random nonce  $R_C$  or  $R_{NS}$  (or  $R_{JT}$ ) is known to the adversary Adv. Therefore it is obvious that Adv can compute  $R_C \cdot P_{ns}$  or  $R_{NS} \cdot \psi_{C_i}^1$ , respectively. But, it is not sufficient for the adversary Adv to compute the session key  $SK_{C,NS} = h(R_C \cdot P_{ns}||OTK_{CMS,C}) = h(R_{NS} \cdot \psi_{C_i}^1||OTK_{CMS,C})$  without having the knowledge about  $OTK_{CMS,C}$ . Further to compute  $OTK_{CMS,C} = h(OTK_{CMS,NS}|| SID_{NS}^j)$ , the adversary Adv also requires the knowledge of  $SID_{NS}^j$  and  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$ parameters. Moreover, Adv is unable to extract these parameters from  $OTK_{CMS,C}$  due to the one-way property of cryptographic hash function and cryptographic hardness property associated with the stateless CBC mode of AES encryption/decryption policy. It is also observed from Remark 5 that the proposed protocol alleviate the known session-specific temporary information attacks.

Proposition 6: HEAP protects man-in-the-middle attacks.

Proof: Suppose during session key establishment process, an adversary Adv tries to impersonate a legitimate client  $C_i$  or service server  $NS_i$  by eavesdropping the exchanged messages say  $MC_7$  and  $MC_8$ . However, in the proposed protocol,  $C_i$  authenticates both CMS and NS<sub>i</sub> by verifying two conditions as (1)  $V_{cc} \cdot \mathcal{G} = \psi_{C_i}^1 \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU}$  $||OTK_{CMS,C}\rangle + Q_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1)$  and (2)  $OTK_{CMS,C}$  $h(OTK_{CMS,NS}||SID_{NS}^{j})$ , respectively utilizing both  $C_{token}$  and message  $MC_8$ . Similarly,  $NS_i$  verifies the legitimacy of both CMS and  $C_i$  by checking two conditions as (i)  $V_{ns} \cdot \mathcal{G} =$  $P_{ns} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(TNS_{ID}|| OTK_{CMS,C})) + Q_{NS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(P_{ns})$  and (ii)  $OTK_{CMS,C} = h(OTK_{CMS,NS}||SID_{NS}^{j})$ , respectively using NStoken and message MC7. After validating the aforesaid conditions successfully,  $C_i$  (or  $NS_i$ ) establishes the session key  $SK_{C,NS}$  between themselves, otherwise; terminate the process. Since, the adversary Adv does not have the knowledge about  $R_C$ ,  $R_{NS}$ ,  $OTK_{CMS,C}$ ,  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$ ,  $SID_{NS}^{j}$  and  $K_{CMS,NS}$ so, it is impossible to impersonate either  $C_i$  or  $NS_i$ .

In addition to this, the simulation result of AVISPA based formal verification (see Section VII) is also substantiates that the other phases of the proposed protocol is robust against man-in-the-middle attacks. Thus, we remark that the proposed protocol is resilient against man-in-the-middle attacks.

*Proposition 7:* HEAP is resilient against identity compromise attacks.

*Proof:* In this attack, to protect both  $C_i$ 's and  $NS_j$ 's (or  $JT_j$ ) original identities ( $C_{ID}$  and  $TNS_{ID}$  (or  $TJT_{ID}$ )) from an adversary say Adv who controls either CMS or NMS or ES, in the proposed scheme, the identities are stored in a transformed manner into those servers. For example,  $C_i$ 's original identity are stored as  $MTU = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID}||$  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$ ) whereas  $NS_j$ 's (or  $JT_j$ ) identity are stored as  $TNS_{ID} = h(NS_{ID} ||HSA_{ID}|| rss_1)$  (or  $TJT_{ID} = h(JT_{ID} ||HSA_{ID}|| rss_2)$ ). Since, the adversary Adv does not have the knowledge about  $r_i$ ,  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$ ,  $rss_1$  and  $rss_2$ , so he cannot retrieve the original identities  $C_{ID}$ ,  $NS_{ID}$  (or  $JT_{ID}$ ) from MTU and  $TNS_{ID}$  (or  $TJT_{ID}$ ), respectively. In a similar way, to protect BDSP/BA's identity, it is also stored as  $MTU' = h(BDSP_{ID}||d||HSA_{ID}||$ 

*Proposition 8:* HEAP supports user and Big Data service servers anonymity.

*Proof:* During user and service server registration process both  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ) are enroled themselves with HEAP-KDC utilizing their masked identities namely  $\mathcal{MTU}$  and  $TNS_{ID}$  (or  $TJT_{ID}$ ). At the time of session key establishment task,  $C_i$  computes its digital signature using  $C_i$ 's masked identity ( $\mathcal{MTU}$ ) and an application generated pseudo random number ( $R_c$ ). The same way,  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ) encapsulates  $TNS_{ID}$  and  $R_{NS}$  to construct its digital signature. Thereafter,

the digital signature exchanges between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ) via a public channel lead to establish the session key between themselves. Due to the encapsulation of the pseudo random number, these digital signatures vis-a-vis the identities of both  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ) are used to be dynamic and it will change in every sessions. Thus, the proposed scheme provides user and Big Data service server anonymity.

*Proposition 9:* HEAP assists untraceability of user and Big Data service servers.

*Proof:* Suppose an adversary Adv eavesdrops the message set { $MC_7, MC_8$ } and tries to extract the original identities of  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ). In this connection, Adv extracts  $\mathcal{MTU} = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID}||R_{C_i}^{CMS})$ ,  $TNS_{ID} = h(NS_{ID})||HSA_{ID}||rss_1$ ) (or  $TJT_{ID} = h(JT_{ID} ||HSA_{ID}||rss_2)$ ),  $V_{cc} = R_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(\mathcal{MTU} ||OTK_{CMS,C})) + S_C \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\psi_{C_i}^1) \pmod{q})$  and  $V_{ns} = R_{NS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(TNS_{ID} ||OTK_{CMS,C})) + S_{NS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(P_{ns})$  (mod q) parameters. Note here, these four parameters are implicitly derived from the original identity of either user  $C_i$  or service server  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ), respectively. The adversary Adv can not trace the actual identities of  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ) due to the adoption of collision-resistant cryptographic one way hash function towards the identity transformation. Thus, the proposed scheme satisfies the untraceability property.

*Proposition 10:* HEAP is resilient against offline dictionary attacks.

*Proof:* To make the proposed protocol resilient against offline dictionary attacks,  $C_i$  transforms his actual password *PWD* using a system generated random secret  $r_i$ , a server generated random nonce  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  and two hash functions  $(h(\cdot))$  as  $PWD^* = h(h(r_i|| PWD)|| R_{C_i}^{CMS})$ , and later store this masked password  $(PWD^*)$  into *NMS* and *ES* servers.

Suppose a privileged insider acting as an adversary Adv compromises the dictionary of passwords from *NMS* (or *ES*) and tries to reveal the actual password of  $C_i$  incorporating offline password guessing attacks. But, Adv can not extract  $C_i$ 's actual password due to lack of knowledge about  $r_i$  and  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$  parameters and usage of the collision-resistant cryptographic one way hash function towards password transformation. The same technique has been followed to protect *BDSP*'s original password from the offline password guessing attacks.

*Proposition 11:* HEAP is robust against ciphertext-only attacks (COA) on  $C_i$ 's or *BDSP/BA*'s password.

*Proof:* Suppose during the single sign-on process, a passive adversary Adv listening the communication channel between  $C_i$  and CMS for a particular session say  $S_t$ , and eavesdrops the exchanged messages say  $MC_1$ ,  $MC_2$ ,  $MC_3$ ,  $MC_4$ . Adv repeats this process for multiple sessions say  $S_t$ ,  $S_{(t+1)}$ ,  $S_{(t+2)}$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $S_{(t+n)}$  and collects a set of messages say  $\{MC_1, MC_2, MC_3, MC_4\}$ . Form these set of messages, A picks  $MC_4$  and extracts  $Z'_4$ . Note here,  $Z'_4$  is a set of ciphertexts that are directly associated with  $C_i$ 's password. Now, from  $Z'_4$  the adversary Adv tries to find out the actual password of  $C_i$ . Since, Adv does not have any knowledge about  $R_{Ci}^{CMS}$  and  $r_i$ , so it is hard to guess the password from

the ciphertexts set. In the similar way, HEAP is also robust against COA on *BDSP/BA*'s password. Thus, completes the proof.

*Proposition 12:* HEAP is robust against stolen-verifier attacks.

Proof: Suppose a privileged insider acting as an adversary Adv steals  $C_i$ 's masked identity and  $C_i$ 's transformed password (i.e.,  $\mathcal{MTU} = h(C_{ID}||r_i||HCA_{ID}||R_{C_i}^{CMS}),$  $PWD^* = h(h(r_i|| PWD)||R_{C_i}^{CMS})$  from NMS's (or ES's) database and tries to login into a workstation using  $HCA_j$ . In this regard,  $HCA_i$  computes  $\mathcal{EI}' = h(\mathcal{MTU}|| PWD^*)$ and search the same into the workstation's cookies. Since,  $HCA_i$  does not find such an entry into the cookies, it is obvious that  $HCA_i$  rejects Adv's request. In order to satisfy the aforesaid search condition successfully, Adv needs the knowledge about the original user identity  $(C_{ID})$  and password (*PWD*) of  $C_i$  instead the masked identity and masked password of  $C_i$ . In the same way, the proposed scheme does not allow an adversary  $\mathcal{A}dv$  to login into the system by stealing BDSP/BA's credentials from the server (NMS or ES). Hence, we can conclude that, the proposed scheme protects stolen-verifier attacks.

*Proposition 13:* HEAP is resilient against impersonation attacks.

*Proof:* In order to access the Big Data storage and processing services from the remote service server  $(NS_j \text{ or } JT_j)$ , an adversary Adv initially requires the actual identity and password of  $C_i$  for sign in into the local workstation. In a similar way, to enrol the service servers of a Hadoop cluster, Adv needs the original identity and password of *BDSP*. Since, Adv does not have these parameters so it is computationally intractable to make a valid sign in request through  $HCA_j$  or  $HSA_k$ .

Further, during session key establishment, Adv does not have any means to steal the  $C_i$ 's (or  $NS_j$ 's) information to achieve mutual authentication in the presence of CMS. Because, retrieval of  $OTK_{CMS,C}$  from  $C_{token}$  is computationally hard. Moreover, during this mutual authentication task  $C_i$ verifies both CMS and  $NS_j$  whereas  $NS_j$  checks the legitimacy of both CMS and  $C_i$  seperately before establishment of the session key between themselves using the proposed digital signature based verification strategy. Since, the adversary Adv does not have  $OTK_{CMS,C}$ ,  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$ ,  $SID_{NS}^j$ ,  $S_C$ ,  $S_{NS}$ ,  $R_C$  and  $R_{NS}$  parameters he would not be able to generate a valid digital signature. Thus, we remark that the proposed protocol has ability to protect user and service server impersonation attacks.

Proposition 14: Heap protects replay attacks.

*Proof:* To resist replay attacks during mutual authentication and single sign-on task, *CMS* can keep  $\psi_{C_i}^1$  and  $\psi_{C_i}^2$  in its system cache memory temporarily. *CMS* initially verifies if  $\psi_{C_i}^{1*} = \psi_{C_i}^1$  and  $\psi_{C_i}^{2*} = \psi_{C_i}^2$ . If both of these conditions are valid then  $C_i$ 's request message is treated as replay message, otherwise; *CMS* updates  $\psi_{C_i}^1$  and  $\psi_{C_i}^2$  with  $\psi_{C_i}^{1*}$  and  $\psi_{C_i}^{2*}$  in its system cache memory. Further, in order to

protect the replay attacks during mutual authentication and cluster registration (service servers registration) phase, *NMS* can store  $\lambda_{C_i}^1$  and  $\lambda_{C_i}^2$  into its cache memory temporarily. In a similar way, we can alleviate the replay attacks during session key formation task between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  (or  $JT_j$ ) (also see Remark 3) and the other phases of the proposed protocol.

*Proposition 15:* HEAP is resilient against server spoofing attacks.

*Proof:* To impersonate both the server i.e., *CMS* and *NMS* to the end user  $C_i$ , an adversary Adv needs to generate the valid  $V_{cnew} = \pi_{CMS}^2 + S_{NMS} \cdot \mathbb{H}_2(\mathbb{H}_1(K_{NMS,C})) \pmod{q}$  for the message  $MC_4$  to satisfy the verification condition at user-side  $(C_i)$  as  $Temp_C^1 = Temp_C^2$ . It is obvious that the adversary Adv cannot achieved without having the knowledge of  $S_{CMS}$ ,  $S_{NMS}$  and  $K_{C,CMS}$  parameters. In a similar way, it is computationally intractable to impersonate both the servers i.e., *NMS* and *CMS* to the Big Data service provider *BDSP*. Further, to impersonate the server  $NS_j$  to  $C_i$ , the adversary Adv needs the knowledge about  $S_{NS}$ ,  $OTK_{CMS,NS}$  and  $SID_{NS}^j$  parameters to generate the valid  $V_{ns}$ . Thus, we can remark that HEAP can resists server spoofing attacks.

*Proposition 16:* HEAP protects server-side Single point Of Failure (SOF) and Single point Of Vulnerability (SOV) issues.

Proof: According to the proposed HEAP-KDC architecture, CMS interfaces with the clients whereas NMS interacts with the service providers and ES is reachable offline to both client and service provider at the time of principal registration process. Under the basic assumption of HEAP as discussed in Section V-C, the CMS server: which is the front server to the client  $(C_i)$ : keeps the transformed identities (MTUs) of clients, the dictionary of  $R_{C_i}^{CMS}$ , the secert credentials  $(SID_{NS}^{j}, SID_{IT}^{j}, K_{CMS,BDSP}$  and  $BDSP_{PWD}^{*})$  of service providers (*BDSP*s) and service servers ( $NS_i$  or  $JT_i$ s), wherein the NMS server: which is the front-end server to the service providers (BDSPs): stores the client  $(C_i)$  secret credentials (*PWD*\*s,  $K_{NMS,C}$ ), the dictionary of  $R_{BDSP}^{NMS}$  and the transformed identities  $(\mathcal{MTU}'s)$  of service providers. In addition, ES keeps all the credentials of CMS and NMS servers in its custody for future use. In such a settings, two servers (CMS and NMS) are actively involved (two-server based handshaking) to achieve authentication of  $C_i$  (or BDSP) at the time of single-sign on (or service server registration) process. Since, the secret credentials of  $C_i$  (or BDSP) is distributed into two different servers, therefore it is resilient against SOV issue. Further, from Remark 4, we can observe that the proposed authentication framework resists SOF issue. Thus, completes the proof.

*Proposition 17:* HEAP provides both forward and back-ward secrecy.

*Proof:* To measure the forward and backward secrecy of the proposed protocol, we consider the simultaneous leakage of  $C_i$ 's primary secret namely password *PWD* in the form of  $C_{token}$  and its impact on the past and future session key security.

Suppose in a particular session, to establish a session key between  $C_i$  and  $NS_i$  (or  $JT_i$ ), a pseudo random number say  $R_C$ is chosen by  $C_i$  whereas another pseudo random number say  $R_{NS}$  (or  $R_{JT}$ ) is selected by  $NS_j$ . Although, both  $\psi_{C_i}^1 = R_C \cdot \mathcal{G}$ and  $P_{ns} = R_{NS} \cdot G$  are exchanged between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  via a public channel, it is computationally hard to reveal  $R_C$  or  $R_{NS}$  (or  $R_{JT}$ ) from  $\psi_{C_i}^1$  or  $P_{ns}$  (or  $P_{jt}$ ), respectively due to the intractability of ECDLP (see Section IV). Further, it is also impossible to compute  $R_C \cdot R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  or  $R_{NS} \cdot R_C \cdot \mathcal{G}$  after getting  $P_{ns} = R_{NS} \cdot \mathcal{G}$  or  $\psi_{C_i}^1 = R_C \cdot \mathcal{G}$  via a public channel due to the intractability of ECDDHP (refer Section IV). However, the session key  $SK_{C,NS} = h(R_C \cdot P_{ns} || OTK_{CMS,C}) = h(R_{NS} \cdot P_{ns} || OTK_{CMS,C})$  $\psi_{C_i}^1 || OTK_{CMS,C}$ ) between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$  has derived from  $R_C$ ,  $R_{NS}, \psi_{C_i}^1, P_{ns}$  and  $OTK_{CMS,C}$  parameters and  $C_i$ 's password PWD has nothing to do with this computation. Thus, our proposed protocol achieves both forward and backward secrecy. *Proposition 18:* HEAP provides mutual authentication.

*Proof:* During single sign-on process,  $C_i$  checks the legitimacy of both *CMS* and *NMS*, and vice versa by verifying the following three conditions: (i)  $\mathcal{MTU}^* = \mathcal{MTU} \&\& CMS_{ID}' = CMS_{ID}$ , (ii)  $Temp_C^1 = Temp_C^2$  and (iii)  $Temp_{CMS}^1 = Temp_{CMS}^2$  as discussed in Step DKA6, Step DKA8 and Step DKA9, respectively (refer Section V-D.6). Further, at the time of session key establishment between  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$ , both of them verify their legitimacy along with CMS's legitimacy utilizing the following two conditions: (a)  $\mathcal{MTU}' = \mathcal{MTU} \&\& Temp_1^{NS} = Temp_2^{NS}$  and (b)  $Temp_1^{C'} = Temp_2^{C'}$  as elaborated in Step SKABSSA4 and Step SKAB-SSA7, respectively (see Section V-D.8. Thus, we can say that the proposed protocol achieves mutual authentication.

*Proposition 19:* HEAP provides dependable authentication services.

*Proof:* From Proposition 16, we can observe that the proposed authentication framework resolves the SOF and SOV issues of the key distribution center (HEAP-KDC). In such a setting, the failure or compromise of a server (*CMS* or *NMS* or *ES*) can not increase the downtime of the authentication system at mission critical situations.

According to the proposed authentication architecture, CMS has all the security credentials related to service providers, Hadoop cluster vis-a-vis service servers information and masked identities of users. NMS has all the security credentials related to  $C_i$ , service providers masked identities and service servers masked identities. ES is having all the secret credentials of each principals which is the union of both CMS and NMS. Now, say for instance, if the active CMS suddenly fails and all its security credentials are lost due to some hardware related issues then a stand-by CMS will be restored the whole system by configuring it from the back-up server say ES via a secure channel. In a similar way, the failure of an active NMS can be restored by a stand-by NMS. Further, if the trusted server say ES fails then the maintenance engineer and system administrator easily rebuild it from both active CMS and active NMS servers. Note here, a trusted server ES (operates in an offline mode)

is currently having all the secret credentials related to each principal of the system including the master *CMS* and *NMS*. It may also be noted that, we consider here only one server (*CMS* or *NMS* or *ES*) can fail at a particular point of time. Therefore, from the above discussion, we can remark that both maintenance engineer and system administrator operates under HEAP-KDC would be able to restore the whole KDC in no time. Thus, the proposed protocol provides dependable authentication services.

Proposition 20: HEAP provides single sign-on facility.

*Proof:* According to the proposed protocol policy,  $C_i$  can access any service servers (that belongs to a particular Hadoop cluster) after authenticating himself utilizing both *CMS* and *NMS* servers (two-server based authentication). This authentication process is a one time task. After that,  $C_i$  can make any numbers of service server request from *CMS* throughout the session.

# **VII. FORMAL SECURITY ANALYSIS USING AVISPA**

In HEAP, we have two mutual authentication and session key agreement tasks: 1) to register the service servers visa-vis the Hadoop cluster with HEAP-KDC online, service provider's administrator (BA) needs to authenticate himself to HEAP-KDC (utilizing both NMS and CMS servers) and vice versa, and 2) to access the service server  $NS_i$  or  $JT_i$ from a distinct cluster, the end user  $C_i$  needs to authenticate himself utilizing both CMS and NMS servers and vice versa. To achieve this two cases, we proposed two different authentication strategies as discussed above. In order to validate these two proposed authentication protocols, we utilize a well-known and widely used Internet security protocol verification tool, called AVISPA (Automated Validation of Internet Security Protocols and Applications) [79]–[81]. This tool is used to test whether a security protocol is safe against an active or passive adversary, such as man-in-the-middle and replay attacks.

Currently, AVISPA tool version 1.1<sup>12</sup> is equipped with four implicit back-end model checkers, namely i) On-thefly Model-Checker (OFMC), ii) Constraint Logic based Attack Searcher (CL-AtSe), iii) SAT-based Model-Checker (SATMC) and iv) Tree Automata based on Automatic Approximations for the Analysis of Security Protocols (TA4SP). Further, each model checker is also equipped with different state-of-the-art automatic analysis algorithms. The internal hierarchy of AVISPA tool and its modules are shown in Figure 25. The following steps are needed to simulate a security protocol in this tool:

- Step 1: The proposed protocol needs to be codified into HLPSL (High Level Protocols Specification Language) [81], where HLPSL is the de facto language according to the specification of AVISPA.
- Step 2: Save the designed code into a file with hlpsl extension. For example, we save two of our proposed codes

(two authentication strategies) into two distinct files as Heap\_BNMSfinal.hlpsl and SK\_CNS.hlpsl.

- Step 3: After creating the file, we only need to execute the command called "avispa <space> <Filename.hlpsl> <space> -- <model checker name>". For example, in our case we execute the following commands in Ubuntu 14.04 LTS platform:
  - 1) durbadal@durbadal-rec: /Desktop/HEAP\_CODE \$ avispa Heap\_BNMSfinal.hlpsl -- satmc
  - 2) durbadal@durbadal-rec: /Desktop/HEAP\_CODE \$ avispa SK\_CNS.hlpsl -- ofmc
- Step 4: During the execution of the above command say "avispa <space> <Filename.hlpsl> <space> -- <model checker name>", the AVISPA tool implicitly translate the "XYZ.hlpsl" file into another file format called Intermediate Format (IF) using the HLPSL2IF translator (see Figure 25).
- Step 5: Eventually, the IF file is given to each model checker and the model checker test the proposed protocol is safe or unsafe or inconclusive. The IF file is the required input file format of each aforementioned model checker to test the designed protocol.

We have implemented the codes for two proposed protocols in HLPSL and save them into two different files namely Heap\_BNMSfinal.hlpsl and SK\_CNS.hlpsl. The detailed description on HLPSL and various protocols implementations in AVISPA are available in [80] and [81]. Under Heap\_BNMSfinal.hlpsl file, initially we specify basic roles of all the participants (*BDSP*, *NMS* and *CMS*) and then make composite role for representing different cases or scenarios derived from the basic roles. Similarly, under SK\_CNS.hlpsl, we present the basic roles for  $C_i$ , *CMS*, *NMS* and *NS<sub>j</sub>* and construct the composite role (or session) involving all the participants.

We simulate both the files using AVISPA under the widely-used OFMC and SATMC back-ends and summarized the simulation results in Figure 26 and 27. The simulation results show that the proposed two protocols in HEAP are safe from man-in-the-middle and replay attacks.

# VIII. PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

This section analyzes the performance of HEAP. Currently, HEAP protocol consists of two modules: (1) Big Data service provider module and (2) client module. We evaluate the performance of HEAP based on these module and present them in Table 4 and Table 5. During the performance analysis, we consider four different metrics as follows:

 CPU usage or Computation Time (CT) in terms of seconds – It tells about the execution time or CPU usage (in terms of seconds) of different cryptographic operations that we have used throughout the proposed protocol. For example, a cryptographic one-way hash function (SHA-1), modular exponentiation, ECC scalar multiplication, AES-128 bits stateless CBC mode of encryption or decryption. An approximate CT for the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>AVISPA Project: http://www.avispa-project.org/

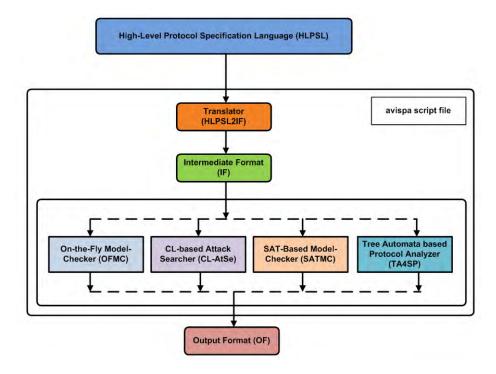
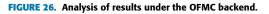


FIGURE 25. Building blocks of AVISPA (Source: [79]).

% OFMC	% OFMC
% Version of 2006/02/13	% Version of 2006/02/13
SUMMARY	SUMMARY
SAFE	SAFE
DETAILS	DETAILS
BOUNDED_NUMBER_OF_SESSIONS	BOUNDED_NUMBER_OF_SES PROTOCOL
PROTOCOL	
/opt/avispa-1.1/testsuite	/opt/avispa=1.1/testsuite
/results/Heap_BNMSfinal.if	/results/SK_CNS.if
GOAL	001112
as_specified	as_specified
BACKEND	BACKEND
OFMC	OFMC
COMMENTS	COMMENTS
STATISTICS	STATISTICS
parseTime: 0.00s	parseTime: 0.00s
searchTime: 2.41s	searchTime: 22.17s
visitedNodes: 859 nodes	visitedNodes: 3637 nodes
depth: 10 plies	depth: 12 plies



aforesaid operations are taken form [63] and it is summarized in Table 3. In the proposed protocol phases, we use logical *XOR* operation but it is not depicted in Table 3. Because, this operation takes a negligible amount of time say,  $T_{xor} = 10^{-9}$  seconds as compare to the other as mentioned in Table 3. Therefore, we do not consider  $T_{xor}$  for CT computation for both service provider and client modules (refer Table 4 and Table 5).

2) Communication Overhead (CO) in terms of bits – Suppose an entity say  $C_i$  sends a message  $M_i$  to another entity say CMS and  $|M_i|$  represents the bit length of the message  $M_i$  by summing up the bit length of

TABLE 3. Rough estimation of con	nputation time reported in [63].
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Operation	Notations	Approximate computation cost (in seconds)
Hash (SHA-1)	$T_{hash}$	0.00032
Encryption or Decryption	$T_E/T_D (=T_S)$	0.0056
Modular exponentiation	$T_{mod}$	0.0192
ECC scalar multiplication	$T_{ecsm}$	0.0171

its individual component. More precisely, if  $M_i$  =  $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$  then  $|M_i| = \{|c_1| + \dots + |c_n|\}$  or  $|M_i| = \sum_{j=1}^n (c_j)$ . For example, in single sign-on and dynamic key establishment phase,  $C_i$  sends  $MC_1 =$  $\{\mathcal{MTU}, CMS_{ID}, \psi_{C_i}^1, \psi_{C_i}^2, Cert_C\}$ . Here,  $|\mathcal{MTU}| = 160$  bits,  $|CMS_{ID}| = 32$  bits,  $|\psi_{C_i}^1| = 160$  bits,  $|\psi_{C}^{2}| = 160$  bits and  $|Cert_{C}| = 160$  bits. So,  $|MC_{1}| =$ (160 + 32 + 160 + 160 + 160) = 672 bits. Therefore, the communication overhead of message  $MC_1$  is 672 bits. Similarly, we calculate the CO for all the other messages and are depicted in Table 4 and Table 5. Note here, for ease of CO calculation, we assume here: (i) the bit length of each certificate is equal to the bit length of the public-key (i.e., 160 bits ECC key), (ii) the bit length of the masked identity is 160 bits, (iii) |nonce| = 32 bits, (iv) the bit length of the server's original identity is 32 bits and (v) the bit length of cipher-text or plain-text block is 128 bits (using AES-128 bit encryption/decryption policy).

 Storage Cost (SC) in terms of bits – To achieve a particular task (namely user registration, user login, etc.) in the proposed protocol, few security credentials are need to be stored previously either in client-side



SUMMARY	SUMMARY SAFE
SAFE	SAFE
DETAILS	DETAILS
BOUNDED_NUMBER_OF_SESSIONS	BOUNDED_NUMBER_OF_SESSIONS
BOUNDED_SEARCH_DEPTH	BOUNDED_SEARCH_DEPTH
BOUNDED_MESSAGE_DEPTH	BOUNDED_MESSAGE_DEPTH
PROTOCOL	PROTOCOL
Heap_BNMSfinal.if	SK_CNS.if
GOAL	GOAL
%% see the HLPSL specification	%% see the HLPSL specification
BACKEND	BACKEND
SATMC	SATMC
COMMENTS	COMMENTS
STATISTICSattackFoundfalsebooleanupperBoundReachedtruebooleangraphLeveledOff2stepssatSolverzchaffsolvermaxStepsNumber30stepsstepsNumber2stepsatomsNumber0atomsclausesNumber0clausesencodingTime0.48secondssolvingTime0secondsif2sateCompilationTime0.28seconds	STATISTICSattackFoundfalsebooleanupperBoundReachedtruebooleangraphLeveledOff2stepssatSolverzchaffsolvermaxStepsNumber30stepsstepsNumber2stepsatomsNumber0atomsclausesNumber0clausesencodingTime0.16secondssolvingTime0secondsif2sateCompilationTime0.8seconds
ATTACK TRACE	ATTACK TRACE
%% no attacks have been found	%% no attacks have been found



or server-side or both. The storage cost tells about this pre-loaded credentials in terms of bits. For example, to achieve user login,  $HCA_i$  needs to load  $r_i^*$ and  $USPW_i$  (total  $|r_i^*| + |USPW| = 320$  bits) credentials into  $C_i$ 's workstation. Similarly, to accomplish the service provider login,  $HSA_i$  needs to load  $d^*$  and BDPW (total  $|d^*| + |BDPW| = 320$  bits) into BDSP's workstation. We highlights the SC for each phase of the proposed protocol in Table 4 and Table 5. Note here, to achieve a successful user registration and single sign-on task, NMS needs to keep  $(|K_{NMS,C}| + |D_{C_{ID}}| + |D_{PWD}|)$ , a total of (64 + 64 + 64)bits = 192 bits, and both NMS and CMS need to store  $(|\mathcal{MTU}| + |PWD^*| + |R_{C_i}^{CMS}| + |K_{NMS,C}|)$ , a total of (160+160+32+64) bits = 416 bits, respectively. Further, to make a Big Data storage or processing service server ticket request, the proposed protocol needs to store the masked identity of either  $NS_i$  or  $JT_i$  (160 bits) into  $HCA_i$ .

 Communication Rounds (CR) – A single communication round represents a one-way message transmission. In this regards, we compute CR for each phases of the proposed protocol and it is shown in Table 4 and Table 5.

Tables 4 and 5 show that the proposed protocol is quite efficient in terms of communication, storage and computation cost considering all the participants. Consider  $C_i$  with  $HCA_i$ , for instance; it needs 0.00128 seconds and 0.17588 seconds, a total of 0.17716 seconds  $\approx$  177 milliseconds (ms) (refer Scenario<sub>2</sub> from Table 5) to login into the system and validate the legitimacy of HEAP-KDC, respectively. After  $C_i$ 's single sign-on (or establishment of the session key with CMS), the  $C_i$  needs approximately 0.10072 seconds  $(1T_E + 1T_D +$  $4T_{ecsm} + 1T_{mod} + 6T_{hash} \approx 101$  ms to access a particular service server (i.e., either  $NS_i$  or  $JT_i$ ) from any Hadoop cluster (which is registered with the HEAP-KDC) followed by a mutual authentication and session key agreement phase. According to the computational cost analysis of the proposed protocol, service provider enrollment and password updation tasks will take  $\approx$  188 ms and  $\approx$  18.08 ms and with the same cost, user achieves his registration and password change phases. In addition to this, a service provider can seamlessly enroll his own Hadoop cluster with the HEAP-KDC by compromising only 33.6 ms (here, we assume that the Hadoop cluster consists of a single storage service server and a single processing server). In spite of this, we compare our scheme with the existing state of the art authentication protocols as follows.

### TABLE 4. Performance of HEAP considering only Big Data service provider module.

		Participants		
Protocol phases	Performance metric	(BDSP + NMS + CMS + ES)	Overall costs per phases (CO, CR, SC, CT)	
	Communication overhead	(128+128+32)+(768)+(384+160+32+32)+(32+32+160) bits ++		
Service provider registration	Communication rounds	6++	(1888 bits, 6, 192 bits, 0.1877 sec)	
Service provider registration	Storage cost	192 bits	(1888 bits, 0, 192 bits, 0.1877 sec)	
	Computation cost	$12T_{ecsm}/(5T_{ecsm}) + 2T_{mod} + 3T_E + 2T_D + 3T_{xor} + 9T_{hash}/(4T_{hash})$		
	Communication overhead	None		
Service provider login	Communication rounds	None	(0 bit, 0, 320 bits, 0.00128 sec)	
Service provider login	Storage cost	320 bits	(0 bit, 0, 520 bits, 0.00128 sec)	
	Computation cost	$3T_{xor} + 4T_{hash}$		
	Communication overhead	Scenario <sub>1</sub> : $ M_1  + \cdots +  M_4  = 3200$ bits Scenario <sub>2</sub> : $ M_1  + \cdots +  M_4  = 2560$ bits		
Authenticated key agreement	Communication rounds	4	(3200 [or 2560] bits, 4, 416 bits,	
	Storage cost	160+160+64+32 bits = 416 bits	0.21008 [ar 0.17588] asa)	
	Computation cost	$ \begin{array}{l} Case_1: 15T_{ecsm}/(7T_{ecsm}) + 3T_{mod}/(1T_{mod}) + 3T_E + 3T_D + 15T_{hash}/(11T_{hash}) \\ Case_2: 15T_{ecsm}/(9T_{ecsm}) + 3T_{mod}/(1T_{Mod}) + 3T_E + 3T_D + 15T_{hash}/(11T_{hash}) \end{array} $	- 0.21008 [or 0.17588] sec)	
	Communication overhead	160+32+32+(896+256)+160+32+32 bits		
Service server enrollment	Communication rounds	2	(1600 bits, 2, 0 bit, 0.0336 sec)	
Service server enroument	Storage cost	None	(1000 bits, 2, 0 bit, 0.0556 sec)	
	Computation cost	$2T_E + 4T_D$		
	Communication overhead	32+160+32+384+32+32+160 bits ++		
Password updation	Communication rounds	2++	(832 bits, 2, 320 bits, 0.01808 sec)	
	Storage cost	320 bits	(052 bits, 2, 520 bits, 0.01808 sec)	
	Computation cost	$1T_E + 2T_D + 4T_{hash}$		

**Note:** X/(Y) – It signifies that an entity does X computation in real time and Y computation in offline mode;  $Scenario_1$  – Dynamic public-private key-pair and dynamic certificate usage for each principal (except ES) in each session;  $Scenario_2$  – Static public-private key-pair and certificate usage for a long period of time;  $Case_1$  – first time login and session key establishment utilizing  $Scenario_1$ ;  $Case_2$  – next consecutive login and session key establishment incorporating  $Scenario_2$ ; <sup>++</sup>For ease of calculation, we ignore internal broadcast messages among NMS, CMS and ES, respectively.

TABLE 5.	Performance of HEAP	considering only	y Client module.
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		Participants		
Protocol phases	Performance metric	$(C_i + NMS + CMS + ES)$	Overall costs per phases (CO, CR, SC, CT)	
	Communication overhead	(128+128+32)+(768)+(384+160+32+32)+(32+32+160) bits **		
Has maniaturation	Communication rounds	6**	(1888 bits, 6, 192 bits, 0.1877 sec)	
User registration	Storage cost	192 bits	(1888 bits, 0, 192 bits, 0.1877 sec)	
	Computation cost	$\frac{12T_{ecsm}/(5T_{ecsm})+2T_{mod}+3T_E+2T_D+3T_{xor}}{+9T_{hash}/(4T_{hash})}$		
	Communication overhead	None		
II	Communication rounds	None	(0 hits 0 320 hits 0 00128 see)	
User login	Storage cost	320 bits	(0 bits, 0, 320 bits, 0.00128 sec)	
	Computation cost	$3T_{xor} + 4T_{hash}$		
Mutual Authentication and	Communication overhead	$Scenario_1: MC_1 + \dots + MC_4 = 3520 \text{ bits}$ $Scenario_2: MC_1 + \dots + MC_4 = 2880 \text{ bits}$	(2520 [or 2000] hits 4 416 hits	
Single sign-on	Communication rounds	4	(3520 [or 2880] bits, 4, 416 bits, 0.21008 [or 0.17588] sec)	
Single Sign-On	Storage cost	160+160+64+32 bits		
	Computation cost	$\begin{array}{l} Case_{1}:15T_{ecsm}/(7T_{ecsm}) + 3T_{mod}/(1T_{mod}) + 3T_{E} + 3T_{D} \\ +15T_{hash}/(11T_{hash}) \\ Case_{2}:15T_{ecsm}/(9T_{ecsm}) + 3T_{mod}/(1T_{Mod}) + 3T_{E} \\ + 3T_{D} + 15T_{hash}/(11T_{hash}) \end{array}$		
	Communication overhead	640+384+384+384 bits		
	Communication rounds	2	(1702 hits 2.0 hits 0.01712 see)	
Service server ticket granting	Storage cost	None	(1792 bits, 2, 0 bits, 0.01712 sec)	
	Computation cost	$2T_E + 1T_D + 1T_{hash}$		
	Communication overhead	160 + 160 + 160 + 160 + 384 + 160 + 800 bits		
Session key agreement	Communication rounds	2	(1984 bits, 2, 160 bits, 0.17936 sec	
with service server	Storage cost	160 bits		
	Computation cost	$\frac{5T_{ecsm}/(1T_{ecsm}) + 1T_{mod} + 7T_{hash}/(1T_{hash}) + 6T_{ecsm}/(2T_{ecsm}) + 1T_{mod} + 8T_{hash}/(1T_{hash})$		
	Communication overhead	32+160+32+384+32+32+160 bits		
Password undation	Communication rounds	2 **	(822  hits 2, 220, 0.01808  cos)	
Password updation	Storage cost	320 bits	(832 bits, 2, 320, 0.01808 sec)	
	Computation cost	$1T_E + 2T_D + 4T_{hash}$		

**Note:** X/(Y) – It signifies that an entity does X computation in real time and Y computation in offline mode;  $Scenario_1$  – Dynamic public-private key-pair and dynamic certificate usage for each principal (except ES) in each session;  $Scenario_2$  – Static public-private key-pair and certificate usage for a long period of time;  $Case_1$  – first time login and session key establishment utilizing  $Scenario_1$ ;  $Case_2$  – next consecutive login and session key establishment incorporating  $Scenario_2$ ; \*\*For ease of calculation, we ignore internal broadcast messages among NMS, CMS and ES, respectively.

### A. COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS

This section compares the proposed protocol HEAP with other state of the art authentication strategies. For

comparison, we consider only login and authentication phases of the proposed protocol. Further, we consider three crucial performance metrics namely communication

State of the out outhentiation schemes	Computation cost	A rough estimation of CPU utilization
State-of-the-art authentication schemes	(in mathematical notations)	(in seconds)
Karla and Sood [46]	$9T_{hash} + 7T_{escm}$	0.12258
S. Kumari et al. [47]	$7T_{hash} + 8T_{escm}$	0.13904
Odelu et al. [60]	$25T_{hash} + 6T_S + 1T_F + 6T_{ecsm}$	0.1613
S. Kumari <i>et al.</i> [62]	$16T_{hash} + 8T_{ecsm} + 2T_{BH}$	0.17612
Shen <i>et al.</i> [57]	$17T_{hash} + 6T_{ecsm}$	0.10804
Yoon and Yoo [55]	$16T_{hash} + 4T_{ecsm}$	0.07352
Mishra et al. [56]	$1T_{BH} + 16T_{hash}$	0.02222
Wu <i>et al.</i> [58]	$13T_{hash} + 2T_{ecsm} + 4T_S + 1T_F$	0.07786
He and Wang [59]	$21T_{hash} + 8T_{escm}$	0.14352
Wazid <i>et al</i> . [61]	$22T_{hash} + 4T_S + T_F$	0.04654
Jangirala <i>et al</i> . [63]	$31T_{hash} + 4T_{CM} + T_F$	0.09542
Katz <i>et al</i> . [66]	$21T_{mod} + \epsilon$	0.4032
Yi <i>et al.</i> [68]	$32T_{mod} + \epsilon$	0.6144
JWX Protocol [65]	$18T_{mod} + \epsilon$	0.3456
Yang <i>et al.</i> [64]	$11T_{mod}/(4T_{mod}) + \epsilon$	0.1728
Yi et al. [67]	$14T_{mod} + \epsilon$	0.2688
Jangirala et al. [17]	$12T_{hash} + 8T_{ecsm} + 6T_{epa}$	0.27744
Proposed scheme	$15T_{ecsm}/(9T_{ecsm}) + 3T_{mod}/(1T_{Mod})$	0.17716
	$+6T_S+19T_{hash}/(11T_{hash})$	

### TABLE 6. Summary of computation cost analysis.

Note: Here, we consider  $T_F = T_{epa} = T_{BH} = T_{CM} = T_{escm} \approx 0.0171$  seconds;  $\epsilon$  represents some other costs (exponentiation and hash operations cost) that are involved in the particular scheme, but for ease of calculation, in this work, we consider average computation cost.

#### TABLE 7. Summary of communication overhead analysis.

State-of-the-art authentication schemes	Communication cost (in bits)
Karla and Sood [46]	1280
S. Kumari et al. [47]	1760
Odelu et al. [60]	2944
S. Kumari et al. [62]	2880
Shen et al. [57]	1856
Yoon and Yoo [55]	2496
Mishra et al. [56]	1152
Wu et al. [58]	1856
He and Wang [59]	3520
Wazid et al. [61]	3232
Jangirala et al. [63]	1856
Katz et al. [66]	4480
Yi et al. [68]	3840
JWX Protocol [65]	4480
Yang et al. [64]	3520
Yi et al. [67]	4000
Jangirala et al. [17]	2496
Proposed scheme	2880

overhead, CPU usage (or computation time) and storage cost as compared with other schemes. The detail comparative analysis is discussed as follows:

### 1) COMPARISON OF COMPUTATION COSTS

In order to perform the computational cost analysis, we consider various schemes related to Big Data, Cloud and Internet of Thing (IoT) platforms, and are available in recent literature [17], [46], [47], [55]–[63]. Further, we consider various two-server based PAKE protocols [64]–[68] for the analysis. Since its inception, the schemes [17], [46], [47], [55]–[63] follow single server based authentication strategy whereas others [64]–[68] follow two-server based analogy. From Table 6, we can observe that our proposed scheme is better than that of existing two-server based approaches [64]–[68]. Mean while,

#### TABLE 8. Summary of storage cost analysis.

State-of-the-art authentication schemes	Storage cost (in bits)				
Karla and Sood [46]	576				
S. Kumari et al. [47]	480				
Odelu et al. [60]	N/A				
S. Kumari et al. [62]	N/A				
Shen <i>et al.</i> [57]	N/A				
Yoon and Yoo [55]	N/A				
Mishra et al. [56]	N/A				
Wu et al. [58]	N/A				
He and Wang [59]	N/A				
Wazid <i>et al.</i> [61]	N/A				
Jangirala et al. [63]	N/A				
Katz et al. [66]	384				
Yi et al. [68]	384				
JWX Protocol [65]	384				
Yang et al. [64]	384				
Yi et al. [67]	384				
Jangirala et al. [17]	N/A				
Proposed scheme	416				

**Note:** Karla and Sood scheme considers 224 bits ECC but Kumari *et al.* and our proposed scheme adopt 160 bits ECC; N/A – the particular scheme does not considers the storage cost during performance analysis.

the proposed scheme is also quite comparable with the traditional single server based authentication approaches.

### 2) COMPARISON OF COMMUNICATION OVERHEADS

In communication overhead analysis, we compare the proposed protocol with the aforesaid schemes and summarize it in Table 7. It is easy to say that our scheme is efficient (only 3520 bits need to be transferred between  $C_i$  and HEAP-KDC for first time authentication or single-sign on and for future single-sign on only 2880 bits are required) as compare to the two-server based authentication schemes [65]–[68] (needs 4480, 3840, 4480 and 4000 bits). Further, we can observe that our scheme has the same CO compared with Kumari *et al.* [62]. In fact, our scheme is quite admirable in

SFFs	[46]	[47]	[60]	[62]	[57]	[55]	[56]	[58]	[59]	[61]	[63]	[66]	[68]	[65]	[64]	[67]	[17]	HEAP
$SFF_1$	X	1	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	1	~	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	✓
$SFF_2$	X	1	1	1	X	×	1	1	1	1	~	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓	✓
$SFF_3$	X	1	1	1	1	~	1	X	1	1	~	1	1	1	1	1	N/A	✓
$SFF_4$	1	1	1	1	1	×	X	X	X	1	>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	<b>√</b>
$SFF_5$	1	1	1	1	1	~	1	1	X	1	>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	<b>√</b>
$SFF_6$	X	1	1	1	1	~	X	1	X	1	~	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	<i>√</i>
$SFF_7$	X	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	1
$SFF_8$	X	1	1	1	1	1	X	1	1	N/A	N/A	X	X	X	X	X	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>	1
$SFF_9$	N/A	N/A	1	1	1	X	1	1	X	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	1
$SFF_{10}$	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	N/A	1
$SFF_{11}$	X	X	1	1	1	1	1	X	X	1	1	X	X	X	X	X	N/A	1
$SFF_{12}$	X	N/A	N/A	1	1	1	X	1	N/A	N/A	X	N/A	N/A	X	N/A	N/A	N/A	1
$SFF_{13}$	N/A	1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1
$SFF_{14}$	X	X	X	X	X	×	X	X	X	X	×	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	<i>√</i>
$SFF_{15}$	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	1	1	1	1	1	X	1
CEE		~	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	X	X	v			v	X
$SFF_{16}$	X	X	v 1	<b>v</b>	V V	1	~	v .	1	1	1			X	X	X	X	^
$\frac{SFF_{16}}{SFF_{17}}$	× ✓	× ✓	✓ ✓	×	V N/A	✓ ✓	V N/A	✓ N/A	<i>✓</i>	✓ N/A	✓ N/A	N/A	∧ N/A	N/A	X N/A	X N/A	N/A	∧
		•	-	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	•	•	-	•	•	•	•	
$\begin{array}{c} SFF_{17} \\ SFF_{18} \\ SFF_{19} \end{array}$	1	· •	1	X	N/A	<b>√</b>	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1
$\frac{SFF_{17}}{SFF_{18}}$	✓ ✓	√ √	✓ ✓	X X	N/A N/A	✓ N/A	N/A ✓	N/A N/A	✓ ✓	N/A	N/A ✓	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A	✓ ✓
$\frac{SFF_{17}}{SFF_{18}}$ $\frac{SFF_{19}}{SFF_{20}}$ $\frac{SFF_{21}}{SFF_{21}}$	✓ ✓ N/A	V V N/A	✓ ✓ N/A	X X N/A	N/A N/A N/A	✓ N/A N/A	N/A / N/A	N/A N/A N/A	✓ ✓ N/A	N/A ✓ N/A	N/A / N/A	N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A	N/A ✓ N/A	✓ ✓ ✓
$\begin{array}{c} SFF_{17}\\ SFF_{18}\\ SFF_{19}\\ SFF_{20}\\ SFF_{21}\\ SFF_{22} \end{array}$	✓ ✓ N/A N/A	✓ ✓ N/A N/A	✓ ✓ N/A N/A	X X N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	✓ N/A N/A N/A	N/A / N/A N/A N/A X	N/A N/A N/A N/A	✓ ✓ N/A N/A	N/A / N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
$\frac{SFF_{17}}{SFF_{18}}$ $\frac{SFF_{19}}{SFF_{20}}$ $\frac{SFF_{21}}{SFF_{21}}$	✓ ✓ N/A N/A X	✓ ✓ N/A N/A	✓ ✓ N/A N/A	X X N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	✓ N/A N/A N/A X	N/A / N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	✓ ✓ N/A N/A N/A	N/A ✓ N/A N/A	N/A / N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
$\begin{array}{c} SFF_{17}\\ SFF_{18}\\ SFF_{19}\\ SFF_{20}\\ SFF_{21}\\ SFF_{22} \end{array}$	✓ ✓ N/A N/A X X	✓ ✓ N/A N/A ✓ X	✓ ✓ N/A N/A ✓ X	X           X           N/A           N/A           N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A X	✓ N/A N/A N/A X X	N/A / N/A N/A N/A X	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓	✓ ✓ N/A N/A ×	N/A ✓ N/A N/A ✓	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A X	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	N/A ✓ N/A N/A ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
$\frac{SFF_{17}}{SFF_{18}} \\ \frac{SFF_{19}}{SFF_{20}} \\ \frac{SFF_{21}}{SFF_{22}} \\ \frac{SFF_{22}}{SFF_{23}} \\ \end{array}$	✓ ✓ N/A N/A X X ✓	✓ ✓ N/A N/A ✓ X	✓ ✓ N/A N/A ✓ X ✓	X           X           N/A           N/A           N/A           √           X	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A X X	✓ N/A N/A × ×	N/A ✓ N/A N/A N/A X ✓	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓	✓ ✓ N/A N/A N/A X X	N/A / N/A N/A / / /	N/A ✓ N/A N/A N/A V/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A √ X	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A X	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A X	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓	N/A ✓ N/A N/A ✓ X	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
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$\frac{SFF_{17}}{SFF_{18}} \frac{SFF_{18}}{SFF_{19}} \frac{SFF_{19}}{SFF_{20}} \frac{SFF_{21}}{SFF_{22}} \frac{SFF_{22}}{SFF_{23}} \frac{SFF_{24}}{SFF_{25}} \frac{SFF_{24}}{SFF_{25}} \frac{SFF_{26}}{SFF_{27}} \frac{SFF_{27}}{SFF_{27}} \frac{SFF_{27}}{SFF_{27}$	✓ ✓ N/A N/A × × ✓ ×	✓ ✓ N/A N/A ✓ ✓ × ✓ ×	✓ ✓ N/A N/A ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	X           X           N/A           N/A           √           X           X           X           X	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A X X ✓ X	✓ N/A N/A X X X ✓ X	N/A / N/A N/A N/A / N/A / N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓ X ✓	✓ ✓ N/A N/A N/A X ✓ X ✓	N/A N/A N/A V N/A N/A V N/A	N/A ✓ N/A N/A N/A ✓ N/A ✓	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓ X N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓ X N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A X N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A X N/A N/A	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A ✓ X N/A N/A	N/A ✓ N/A N/A ✓ X V/A ✓	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
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TABLE 9. Summary of comparison in terms of security and functionality features.

Note:  $SFF_1$  – Resists privileged-insider attacks;  $SFF_2$  – Provides user or device anonymity;  $SFF_3$  – Resists off-line password guessing attacks;  $SFF_4$ - Resists user impersonation attack;  $SFF_5$  - Resists replay attacks;  $SFF_6$  - Resists server impersonation attacks;  $SFF_7$  - Provides secure mutual authentication;  $SFF_8$  – Provides forward secrecy;  $SFF_9$  – Resists known session-specific temporary information attacks;  $SFF_{10}$  – Provides session key security;  $SFF_{11}$  – Provides freely password changing facility;  $SFF_{12}$  – Provides backward secrecy;  $SFF_{13}$  – Resists identity compromisation attacks;  $SFF_{14}$  – Resists single point of failure issue;  $SFF_{15}$  – Resists single point of vulnerability issue;  $SFF_{16}$  – Extra hardware cost involved;  $SFF_{17}$  – Resists stolen-verifier attacks;  $SFF_{18}$  – Resists man-in-the-middle attacks;  $SFF_{19}$  – Resists ciphertext-only attacks;  $SFF_{20}$  – Resists chosen plaintext attacks;  $SFF_{21}$  – Provides service server anonymity;  $SFF_{22}$  – Provides formal verification using RoR model;  $SFF_{23}$  – Provides AVISPA-based protocol verification;  $SFF_{24}$  – Resists server spoofing attacks;  $SFF_{25}$  – Resists denial of service attacks;  $SFF_{26}$  – Provides online updation of service server's secret credentials;  $\hat{SFF}_{27}$  – Resists online dictionary attacks;  $\hat{SFF}_{28}$  – Provides fault tolerant authentication framework;  $SFF_{29}$  – Provides single sign-on facility;  $\checkmark$  – SFF is achieved;  $\checkmark$  – SFF is not achieved; N/A – SFF is not analyzed in this scheme.

terms of the CO as compare with the single server based strategy. The proposed scheme's communication overhead is equal to the CO of He and Wang's scheme [59].

### 3) COMPARISON OF STORAGE COSTS

The memory usage (or pre-deployed secrets storage cost) is involved to smooth execution of the proposed scheme as compare to the aforementioned schemes are shown in Table 8. We can see that, our scheme is efficient in terms of memory usage (client's workstation as well as server-side) than both Karla and Sood and Kumari et al. schemes. Although, our scheme is lagging in terms of storage overhead as compare with the existing state of the art two-server based authentication strategies. The remaining schemes (shown in Table 8) are not explicitly analyzed the storage overhead in their works. So, we represent it as N/A in Table 8.

Besides all the above cost factors, the proposed scheme supports several security and functional features (SFFs) as

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compare to the other schemes. This SFFs are discussed as follows.

### 4) COMPARISON OF SECURITY AND FUNCTIONAL **FEATURES**

In this section, we discuss several Security and Functional Features (SFFS) of the proposed protocol and compare it with other existing state of the art schemes. We summarize this discussion in Table 9. Form Table 9, it has been observed that the proposed scheme HEAP fulfills various security and functional features as compare with different state of the art schemes.

### **IX. DISCUSSIONS**

This section summarizes the major potentials of the proposed scheme. In this regard, various appealing features of the proposed user identity and password-assisted two-server authentication and key exchange framework are highlighted as follows:

- 1) With the proposed enrolment strategy, a Big Data service provider's administrator can securely deploy his cluster vis-a-vis service servers online with authentication service provider (HEAP-KDC). In order to achieve this, the administrator needs to login into the system using his identity and password only. Thus, the cluster enrollment policy is scalable and user friendly in nature.
- 2) The proposed HEAP-KDC is robust against single point of failure and single point of vulnerability. Further, it could tolerate various well-known attacks. Hence, HEAP can able to provide dependable and secure authentication service  $24 \times 7$  to the customers.
- 3) With the proposed two-server based single sign-on scheme, the client can access any number of Namenode servers  $(NS_js)$  or JobTrackers  $(JT_js)$  from a Hadoop cluster by logging in into the system only once. During single sign-on process, a secure mutual authentication process takes place which ensures the legitimacy of both  $C_i$  and the dual-server (*CMS* and *NMS*).
- 4) The adoptation of two-factor authentication (password and delegated token) and dual-server based session key establishment strategy makes the proposed authentication system more robust, cost effective and user friendly.
- 5) The key rollover problem is a crucial issue for traditional user registration policy, where during session key establishment, a long-term secret key password) is used to build a secret channel between user and Registration Authority (*RA*). With this settings, it is very difficult for a user to change or update his long-term credential i.e., password into *RA* (a centralized server) for security reasons. Since, the proposed protocol has a provision to update user's password online and has an ability to recover the password utilizing a out-of-band channel (i.e., postal network) or a valid email id (or registered mobile number), it is obvious that the current settings of the proposed approach mitigates the key rollover problem.
- 6) The utilization of 160 bits public/private key (ECC) and 128 bits symmetric key (AES) as compared to 4096 bits key-size reported in [64]–[68] needs lesser memory space (storage in terms of bits) and reduce communication overheads.
- 7) The proposed two-server based authentication and key exchange protocol does not have any compatibility hurdle with the traditional single-server based approaches [17], [46], [47], [62], but yields better dependability (fault-tolerant in terms of secret credentials distribution and replication) and security (resists more well-known attacks). The utilization of two separate application instances say *HCA* and *HSA* divide the users domain into two distinct categories, hence maintenance of both client and service provider is easy. Further, HEAP-KDC encloses a less

number of verification parameters (i.e., masked identity, pass-phrase and digital signature) inside CT and NST, that decreases the verification cost for  $C_i$  and  $NS_j$ (or  $JT_j$ ), respectively

8) The proposed protocol preserves both user and service server (*NS* or *JT*) identities from external as well as internal adversaries (malicious insider control HEAP-KDC's server). In such a provision, it is very difficult to trace the on-going activities among end users', HEAP-KDC's servers and service servers'.

# **X. CONCLUSION**

In this paper, we proposed a new fault tolerant two-server authentication and key agreement protocol (HEAP) for Hadoop framework to access secure and privacy preserved Big Data storage and processing services. To achieve this objective, initially,  $C_i$  needs to login into its workstation using his identity and password. Then, the single sign-on mechanism vis-a-vis the session key formation task has been carried out in which an end user  $C_i$  and CMS server establish a session secret key  $SK_{C,CMS}$  between themselves with the help of NMS server, followed by a mutual authentication process. With this session secret key  $SK_{C,CMS}$ ,  $C_i$  can make a service server (Big Data storage or Big Data processing service server) requests to CMS server through a secure channel. In the next-level, CMS responses  $C_i$  with two tokens ( $C_{token}$ and  $NS_{token}$  or  $JT_{token}$ ). Utilizing these two tokens, both  $C_i$ and  $NS_i$  (or  $JT_i$ ) are mutually authenticate themselves and establish the session key for secure future communication.

In this work, we proposed a new key distribution center (HEAP-KDC), where we can distribute and replicate the security credentials of each principal in such a way that it makes the overall authentication system more dependable and fault-tolerant.

The rigorous security analysis of HEAP under *de facto* ROR simulation (formal analysis) and informal inspection shows that the proposed scheme is provably secure. Moreover, the security of the proposed protocol (HEAP) is also verified utilizing the widely-used AVISPA protocol simulator tool. All these security analysis outputs shows that HEAP is robust against active and passive adversary. In addition, the performance analysis evident that the proposed protocol (HEAP) is effective in terms of computation, communication and storage costs, and comparable with the existing state-of-art schemes.

In the future, we plan to integrate HEAP with a real-world large scale cluster setting (or real-time Hadoop cluster) and try to re-calibrate it further to enhance the security and performance with the real-world deployment.

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